



**Sermon Title: “Marriage and Divorce” – Pastor Randy Hood**

**Scripture Reference:** Matthew 5:31-22, Deuteronomy 24:1-2, Mark 10:1-11, Ephesians 5:21-33

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**Connect: Grow together**

1. In what new way did God show up in your life this week? Of if you think He did not show up this week, how do you make sense of that?
2. What are you thankful for this week?

**Deeper: Beyond the message**

1. What was the main point of today’s message? How would you summarize it in one to three sentences?
2. What did the message say about you, God’s people and/or the world?
3. What did that message mean for our church?

**Application and Challenge**

4. Read Genesis 2:18-23. What does this passage teach about marriage? What does that look like in good marriages?
5. Read Mark 10:2-12. What does this passage teach about divorce?
6. Read Matthew 5:31-32. What does this passage teach about divorce?
7. What are specific ways the value and sanctity of marriage is under attack today?
8. How can we address a hardened heart? How can we make it soft again toward God and toward our spouse?
9. What advice does Ephesians 5:21-33 tell us about how to craft a great marriage? What are tangible ways to live out verse 21?

**10.**(For couples to discuss at home) How can we make our marriage stronger and live out the teaching in Ephesians 5?

**11.**(For couples to consider at home) Go to [www.knowlab.in/fireproof](http://www.knowlab.in/fireproof) and see the 40 Day Challenge from the Kendrick brothers' 2008 movie "Fireproof." Read the list and consider what you might do individually to help strengthen your marriage.