When Marriage Doesn't Go As Planned

Introduction:

- A. "Marriage" refers to the relationship that exists between a man and a woman. God's original intention is monogamy between heterosexual homo sapiens.
- B. However, human beings have the luxury of free will in this, as in other matters.
- C. How then should we respond when marriage doesn't go as planned?

I. Jesus' Answers To The Pharisees' Questions

- A. Matthew 19:1-9
- B. Matthew 5:31-32

II. Five Positions One Can Be In With Reference To Being Bound

- A. Unmarried and unbound
- B. Married and bound
- C. Unmarried and bound
- D. Married to one and bound to another
- E. Married and unbound

Conclusion:

- A. Fundamental fact people marry and divorce.
- B. But only God can bind and loose (*Matthew 19:6*).
- C. Who is God willing to loose?
 - 1. One whose mate has died (*Romans 7:2-3*).
 - 2. One who has put away his/her mate for sexual immorality (Matthew 19:9).