



The Corporate Marriage of Right Man-Right Woman: Corporations Must Have Authority & Order; Community Standards & Invisible Impact by Believers

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1. Marriage is referred to as a corporation since this word precisely defines the relationship between the man and the woman.

Black, Henry Campbell. *Black's Law Dictionary*. Rev 4th ed. (St. Paul: West Publishing Co., 1968), 409:

A legal entity ordinarily consisting of an association of ... individuals, who subsist as a body politic under a special denomination [title, e.g., marriage], which is regarded in law as having a personality and existence distinct from that of its several members ... and of acting as a unit or single individual in matters relating to the common purpose of the association. Private corporations are those ... composed of private individuals, for private purposes.

2. The first corporate relationship in human history was established by the Lord Jesus Christ in Eden:

Genesis 2:21 - And the Lord God fashioned [בָּנָה *banah*: to create by sculpting preexisting materials] into a woman [אִשָּׁה *'Ishshah*: woman] the rib [צֵלָע *sela'*] which He had taken from the man [אָדָם *ha-atham*], and brought her to the man.

Genesis 2:23 - And the man [אָדָם *ha-atham*: Adam] said, "At last! Bone out from my bones, / and flesh out from my flesh; / This one shall be called Woman [אִשָּׁה *'Ishshah*: Woman; wife], / Because she was taken out of Ish [אִישׁ *'Ish*: Man; husband]."

v. 24 - For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall have sexual relations face-to-face with his wife; and the two shall become one flesh.

3. Here we find two people acting as a unit in matters relating to the common purpose of the association. In this case a private corporation composed of two private individuals for private common purposes.
4. As in all corporations there is an authority structure and in marriage that authority is vested in the husband. However, among the punishments related to the fall we learn that the woman will have a lust to usurp that power and the man will aggressively try to retain it:

Genesis 3:16 - "I will greatly intensify your pain during pregnancy, / In pain you will deliver children. / Yet you will lust to usurp power from your husband, / And he will rule, either justly or unjustly, over you."

5. To avoid tyranny by the husband he must possess virtue love which emphasizes personal love for God and unconditional love for his wife. On the other hand the wife must have enduring respect for her husband, otherwise, her innate lust to usurp his authority will result in anarchy:

Ephesians 5:33 - Let each husband aggressively love his own wife even as himself; and let the wife see to it that she respects her husband in response to his aggressive love for her.

6. It is through the three laws of the Christian marriage that the natural tendencies toward tyranny and anarchy are consistently overcome. Unbelievers are only able to maintain stability in marriage by subscribing to the laws of divine establishment which is recognition of cultural influences upon the society by the invisible impact of mature believers.



7. Unbelievers left to their own devices would not observe the standards necessary to maintain stability in marriage. There are exceptions of course but the history of heathen societies demonstrates that fidelity in marriage is uncommon among them since each has declined morally in a fashion typically described in Romans 1.
8. Societies that come under the influence of biblical guidelines develop cultural mores that apply enforced humility upon those who enter into marriage.
9. This has been the case in client nation America, but as these restraints have systematically been removed by the ever-encroaching tyranny of the Progressive movement and their representatives in the judiciary, we find that the prophecy announced by the Lord in Genesis 3:16 is becoming the norm rather than the exception.
10. While biblical and especially New Testament standards for marriage were observed and followed there was great stability among American families. It is true some marriages failed as there were those who submitted to the trends of their sinful natures, but generally order among the families of this country was maintained.
11. When the impact of the corporate Christian marriage is evident then the foundational pillar of the nation is strong and it is reflected in every area of the society.
12. For example, if the corporate concept of marriage was being generally observed by the people and enforced by the government then the billions of dollars spent annually on aid to dependent children, foster care, day care, Head Start, sex education, tracking dead-beat dads, prosecuting spousal abuse, child abuse, and child molestation, to name a few, would not be necessary.
13. The various sociological ills we find in our country can be traced back, by and large, to the dysfunction of the corporate marriage!
14. The built-in conflict between man and woman that resulted from the fall can only be consistently managed by the sophisticated spiritual life provided by the plan of God.
15. Marriage is a problem-manufacturing machine that over a lifetime can evolve into open warfare if not controlled by virtue. The spiritual life of the Church Age is virtue dependent and when its norms and standards and scale of values are willingly applied by the husband and wife in marriage then the natural conflict between them is consistently neutralized.
16. Therefore, in order for any corporation to function smoothly it must be managed by sound policies. This is true for the corporate marriage which must function under the basic principles of the four spiritual mechanics.