

**Christ and Culture – Part Seven – In His Image**  
**Mark 10:1-9; Genesis (selected texts)**  
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1. When crowds gathered around Jesus, it was his custom to teach them (Mark 10:1)
2. The Pharisees tested Jesus by asking him about divorce (10:2-5)
3. It was God's original intent for marriage to be permanent (10:7-9)
4. God's design for marriage is rooted in the truth about our creation (10:6)
  - We are the result of a purposeful decision by the Godhead (Genesis 1:26)
  - We are made in God's image (1:26-27)
    - ✓ We have dominion over other living things (Genesis 1:26,28)
    - ✓ We are male or female (Genesis 1:27; 2:21-23)
    - ✓ We are spiritual beings.
      - ❖ We possess unidirectional immortality (Genesis 2:7)
      - ❖ We can think and decide (Genesis 2:19-20)
      - ❖ We can fellowship with God (Genesis 3:8-12)
    - ✓ We are morally responsible (Genesis 2:15-17)
    - ✓ We can be joined in marriage (Genesis 2:24)
    - ✓ We have inherited value (Genesis 5:1-3; 9:6)
5. Jesus' sacrifice makes possible the full restoration of God's image in us.
  - He reflects the Father to us (2 Cor 4:4; Col 1:15)
  - After we believe, we are renewed in the image of God (Col 3:9-10; Romans 8:29)