

God or Moses, who suffered divorce ?

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"God or Moses...who suffered divorce ?"

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Assertions/Conclusions of this Article

To refute this false assertion that because Jesus said 'Moses suffered you to put your wives away' that He meant that the tolerance for frivolous divorce was Moses own doing and against what God would have had.

Since the Jews did not as a whole believe Jesus was the Messiah, Jesus' appeal to the authority of Moses was ALL the Jews would have understood. He in NO way meant to imply that Moses was some rogue prophet defying the will of God.

Supporting Evidence

How this works is whenever we get into discussions with those of any of the various anti-remarriage camps they try to pretend like Jesus is saying that this one part of Mosaic law was not Gods will but Moses alone...as though God had nothing to do with it simply because Jesus appeals to the authority of Moses to and the Jews reverence of Moses when He says "Moses allowed you to divorce".

Here are the passages in question;

He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

(Mat 19:8 KJV)

And they said, Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put her away.

(Mar 10:4 KJV)

Because of the way this is worded, these false teachers claim that it is MOSES who is allowing this divorce and quite apparently it is entirely against Gods will that Moses does allow it, according to these false ones.

But this is not the only time Jesus uses this sort of language. See in these two passages where Jesus now even calls it 'your law' to the Jews.

It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.

(Joh 8:17 KJV)

Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

(Joh 10:34 KJV)

If what these false ones claim were true based on Jesus' choice of words, then by His words in these two verses the law that speaks about the testimony of two men wouldnt be Gods law, but would be the creation of the men who He is speaking to.

The same for the second passage. If the Mathew and Mark passages mentioned formerly are Moses doing because of the way Jesus words His statement, then BOTH of these latter passages must also not be GODS law, but the law of these Jewish Pharisees.

Now look at these passages all referring to the law of our God as the 'law of Moses'

(Luk 2:22 KJV) And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord;

(Luk 24:44 KJV) And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

(Joh 7:23 KJV) If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses should not be broken; are ye angry at me, because I have made a man every whit whole on the sabbath day?

(Act 13:39 KJV) And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

(Act 15:5 KJV) But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

(Act 28:23 KJV) And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening.

(1Co 9:9 KJV) For it is written in the law of Moses, Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?

Are those not speaking about GODS law as given by Him thru the prophet Moses ?

This is GODS law, not Moses. Nor did Moses allow anything that God did not permit him to tolerate.

Moses did not add to Gods own law regulation requiring a WRIT of DIVORCE without GODS OWN seal of approval.

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The Law of Moses IS the Law of God.

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Assertions/Conclusions of this Article

To show that the law of Moses is indeed given to man by God Himself thru Moses.

Supporting Evidence

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1 Kings

And keep the charge of Jehovah your God, to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His judgments, and His testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses, so that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn yourself,

(1Ki 2:3 MKJV)

Leviticus

And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

(Lev 10:11 KJV)

And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering unto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.

(Lev 1:1-2 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a soul shall sin through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:

(Lev 4:1-2 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, If a soul sin, and commit a trespass against the LORD, and lie unto his neighbour in that which was delivered him to keep, or in fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence, or hath deceived his neighbour;

(Lev 6:1-2 KJV)

And Moses did as the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was gathered together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

(Lev 8:4 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These are the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth.

(Lev 11:1-2 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.

(Lev 12:1-2 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying, When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh like the plague of leprosy; then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests:

(Lev 13:1-2 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought unto the priest:

(Lev 14:1-2 KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man hath a running issue out of his flesh, because of his issue he is unclean.

(Lev 15:1-2 KJV)

Exodus

And Jehovah said to Moses, Come up to Me in the mountain, and be there. And I will give you tablets of stone, and the Law, and commandments which I have written, so that you may teach them.

(Exo 24:12 MKJV)

Deuteronomy...

And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD had given him in commandment unto them;

(Deu 1:3 KJV)

Numbers...

And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of the congregation, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of their names, every male by their polls;

(Num 1:1-2 KJV)

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An interesting one that shows that GOD Jehovah DID give this commandment from Deut TO Moses...

And it happened when the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, he killed his servants who had slain his father the king; But he did not kill the sons of the servants, according to that which is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, in which Jehovah commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the sons, nor shall the sons be put to death for the fathers, but each shall be put to death for his own sin.

(2Ki 14:5-6 MKJV)

What the law said...

The fathers shall not be put to death for the sons, neither shall the sons be put to death for the fathers. Every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

(Deu 24:16 MKJV)

Quite apparently God DID give Deuteronomy and all the instruction therein TO Moses
His word proves that fact.