

“In One Spirit”

Has not *the LORD* made them one? In flesh and spirit they are his. And why one? Because he was seeking godly offspring. So guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith with the wife of your youth. ¹⁶ "I hate divorce," says the LORD God of Israel"

Malachi 2:15-16 NIV

1. Marriage is not just about being married, marriage is about being one.
 - “Has not the Lord made them one?” v. 15a
 - Genesis 2:21-24
 - Great disciples make great husbands and wives (John 17:22-23)
2. Marriage is not just about getting along with your spouse, marriage is about a godly influence upon others, especially your kids.
 - “And why one? Because he was seeking godly offspring.” v. 15b
 - Ephesians 6:4; 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12; Deuteronomy 6:6-7
3. Marriage is not just about satisfying yourself or your spouse, marriage is about satisfying God.
 - “So guard yourself in your spirit and do not break faith with the wife of your youth. I hate divorce says the Lord God of Israel” v. 16
 - Ephesians 5:31-32; Psalm 40:8
 - What God did not say