## Foster City 10-21-18



Jesus On Marriage, Divorce and Singleness - Dan Reid Matthew 19: 1-12; 1st Corinthians 7: 10-16

- 1. When we consider "hot button" issues such as divorce and remarriage, what does it mean to you that CPC strives to be a church that is full of both grace and truth?
- 2. Read verses 1-3. Why were the Pharisees trying to trap Jesus? Why did they ask him about divorce?
- 3. Read verses 4-6. How does Jesus describe the richness of Marriage? What is about his description that resonates?
- 4. Read verses 7-9. Why does God hate divorce? Why does "divorce is like an amputation" make sense?
- 5. Have you seen God soften hearts after a betrayal such as adultery? Why is adultery an exception allowing for divorce?
- 6. Read 1st Corinthians 7: 1-16. Why do you think Paul allows "but if's" (11) regarding separation? What is Paul telling believers who are married to unbelievers?
- 7. What other questions about marriage, divorce and remarriage surface in your mind? How does grace and truth and these passages help answer your questions? Discuss.
- 8. Read verses 10-12. How does Jesus elevate single people?
- 9. "Through suffering, seeds are planted for something new to grow." How can we encourage those in our CG who are struggling or wanting to help someone in a tough relationship or going through a divorce?



Matthew 19: 1-12 - Dominic Rivera

- 1. In what way(s) was the Pharisees' question a test?
- 2. What is surprising of Jesus' response in verses 4-6 in contrast to the Pharisees' question?
- 3. What does God's creation of people mean for the conversation of marriage and divorce?
- 4. What personal emotions stir in your heart as you consider the topic of marriage and divorce?
- 5. What is challenging about Jesus' response to the question about divorce? What is hopeful?
- 6. In responding to the disciples' question in verse 10, what is the point of Jesus' metaphor of a eunuch?
- 7. What is your calling whether single or divorced?