

Unfaithfulness Is A **SERIOUS Sin**

“Unfaithfulness” allows for both **divorce** and **cancelled betrothal**.

(see Matthew 19 ; Matthew 1:19-24 & Luke 2:5)

Here’s a **CRUCIAL** question tied to **our** engagement to the heavenly Bridegroom:

*What are some of the ways – as clearly taught in His Word – which could rightly allow Him to cancel His betrothal relationship with us? In other words, does the Bible give us a list of **absolute prohibitions** as to things which constitute “unfaithfulness” to the extent He could choose to break off His betrothal engagement with some who live in the end of days? (Recall Joseph’s example: He was about to “put her [Mary] away” due to her *perceived-by-him* unfaithfulness.)*

Actually, our Bridegroom has been **very clear** on this eternally significant matter of being faithful to Him **BEFORE** our marriage to Him – to Christ, the Lamb of God.

Here’s a partial list of “**CANNOT DO**” things [3 ‘Must Not’s] during our betrothal period:

- ~ We are not to embrace a false worldview (that is, a worldly one, for *friendship with the world is enmity against God* – Romans 8:1-17 ; James 4:4) ;
- ~ We are not to accept the Christological doctrine of the spirit of antichrist of our day (for example, that which is expressed by New Age advocates, the Neo-Gnostics and others – I John 2:18-23 ; 4:1-3 and II John 7-11) ;
- ~ If we accurately **HOPE** for marriage consummation which will indeed one day take place, we **cannot** receive the mark of the beast – Revelation 13 & 14.

Our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ, has been **so graciously clear** in giving us fair warning!

So *how shall we now live* in light of these Bible insights?

For starters, let’s ponder and heed Revelation 2 & 3.

Prayer:

Father of our glorious Bridegroom, as we persist in a thankful-to-You disposition, we praise You for Your clear revelation concerning relationship with You through Jesus Christ Your Son. Help us to accept the **FULL** Counsel of Your Word in all matters, especially in matters pertaining to eternal life with You. Forgive us, Father, for picking and choosing only some parts of Your revelation – the ones which suit us. Humble us, Lord, to the extent we are willing to submit to Your **FULL** picture concerning Your salvation plan. Help us discern, through Your Holy Spirit within us, how the dark one continues to use partial truths for the purpose of hindering mankind in journey with You. Lord, we love You and we love our fellow mankind to the extent we are willing to be Your heralds in these last days. Help us endure in speaking Your Truths in love. In Jesus Christ’s holy name we pray, unto Your glory and praise, amen.