

ONE BRIDE FOR SEVEN BROTHERS

Mark 12:18-27

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I. The Sadducees had:

- Limited _____.
- Limited the _____.
- Limited understanding of the _____ and _____ of God.

Deut. 25:5-10

Josh. 13:6-7

Leviticus 25:23-25

Matt. 1:5

Ruth 4:9-10, 17

II. Levirate marriage is about _____ and _____, not _____.

III. Marriage is a _____ of the _____.

A. Marriage is _____, _____ until _____.

B. Marriage is _____, not _____ beyond _____.

Eph. 5:24-33

Eccl. 3:11

IV. God's _____ is to be _____ and _____.

II Timothy 3:16-17

V. God's _____ is given to us through the _____ of _____.

Eph. 1:18-23

Eph. 3:16-19

Eph. 6:10-13

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¹⁸ Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him and questioned him: ¹⁹ “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife behind but no child, that man should take the wife and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁰ There were seven brothers. The first married a woman, and dying, left no offspring. ²¹ The second also took her, and he died, leaving no offspring. And the third likewise. ²² None of the seven left offspring. Last of all, the woman died too. ²³ In the resurrection, when they rise, whose wife will she be, since the seven had married her?”

²⁴ Jesus spoke to them, “Isn’t this the reason why you’re mistaken: you don’t know the Scriptures or the power of God? ²⁵ For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage but are like angels in heaven. ²⁶ And as for the dead being raised—haven’t you read in the book of Moses, in the passage about the burning bush, how God said to him: **I am the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob?** ²⁷ He is not the God of the dead but of the living. You are badly mistaken.”

Journey Group Questions

1. Like the Sadducees, many people pick and choose parts of the Bible they want to believe and not to believe. How have you seen this in your own life? Can you describe a time when you were talking with someone who tried to manipulate Scripture to make a point? How did you respond?
2. Choose a verse or passage which is often taken out of context and read it together. (Suggestions: Philippians 4:13, Jeremiah 29:11-13, or other) How does the surrounding context help you understand the meaning of that specific verse? How would you explain the meaning of that verse to someone else?
3. Look together at these verses in their context: Mark 12:26, Matthew 4:4, and Matthew 12:7. What do you notice in these verses about how Jesus responds to opposition? How can your group help each other grow to be able to respond similarly?
4. There can be significant differences between “reading the Bible” and “studying the Bible.” Talk together about tools or methods you have found effective in learning how to study the Bible.