Mark Session 18
The Cost of Hard-Heartedness
Chapter 10:1-16

I. Jesus is questioned on marital separation.

•Genesis 1:27-28 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.And God blessed them.

•Matthew 19:6 What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.

•Genesis 3:16 Your desire shall be contrary to[6] your husband, but he shall rule over you.

•Deuteronomy 24:1 "When a man takes a wife and marries her, if then she finds no favor in his eyes because he has found some indecency in her, and [e]he writes her a certificate of divorce and puts it in her hand and sends her out of his house, and she departs out of his house,

•Malachi 2:16 "I hate divorce," says the LORD God of Israel,

A. There are _____ different words that English bibles translate into "divorce."

1. apoluo - Greek word for "put away", "dismiss", or "separate."

4. apostasion - Greek word for "formal, documented, legalized divorce".

B. God hates divorce because it always involves _____ of _____.

C. Hardness of heart occurs when we decide to elevate our own _____ and _____ over the counsel of God.

II. Children are brought to Jesus

A. We hinder them by not _____ them in the ways of the Lord.

•Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

B. We hinder children by not striving to _____ them.

•Proverbs 22:15 "Folly is bound up in the heart of a child."

•Deuteronomy 6:6-9 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. [7] Impress them on your children.

C. We hinder children by _____ them.

•Ephesians 6:4 Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

•Ephesians 4:32 Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.