

## **Topic:** The Ten Commandments – Love Man (Honor Marriage) (1)

Note: The practical applications provided in the lesson are offered as suggestions to help the saints in their preparation. They are not meant to direct or limit the ways in which the focus of the lesson can be applied. The saints are encouraged to pray and contact the Lord to receive His burden and guidance in teaching and applying the lesson. Fellowship with other saints, and inquiring of the children themselves, may also bring out many helpful applications.

### **Elementary:**

Verse: “Let marriage be held in honor...” (Hebrews 13:4a).

Focus: The seventh commandment tells us to honor marriage. God’s definition of a marriage is that it is only between a man (male) and a woman (female).

Practical Application: This point is to impart the truth that marriage is only between a man and a woman. Ask the children names of each other’s parents, e.g. Mr. and Mrs. Doe. Impress them that the proper marriage is always between a man and a woman.

### **Intermediate:**

Verse: “Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall cleave to his wife, and they shall become one flesh” (Genesis 2:24).

Focus: The seventh commandment tells us to honor marriage. God ordained marriage between one man and one woman when they become adults.

Practical Application: This point is to impress the children that marriage is only between one man and one woman. Ask the children to name couples (husbands and wives) in the Bible. Impress them that a proper marriage is between one man and one woman.

### **Advanced:**

Verse: “So then they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has yoked together, Let man not separate” (Matthew 19:6).

Focus: The seventh commandment tells us to honor marriage. Once a man and a woman marry, they are not to separate for life.

Practical Application: Impress the children that husbands and wives need to be faithful to each other and remain together even through difficult times. Marriage is not simply a friendship that can be broken but rather is a union that should not be broken.