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THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

PHARISEE = "to separate"

- A. strict, legalistic, religious sect
- B. observed the letter of the law according to oral tradition called MISHNAH
 - 1. they believed in resurrection of the dead
 - 2. they believed in immortality of the soul
 - 3. they believed in future judgment
 - 4. they believed in existence of supernatural beings

Matthew 5:31-32

³¹ It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:
³² But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

Deuteronomy 24:1

When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and send her out of his house.

Matthew 19:3

Two Schools:

SHAMMAI = strict divorce only for sexual immorality

HILLEL divorce for any reason

Genesis 1:27

So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

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