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Ketubba, a Jewish
certificate of
Divorce

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MOSES AND DIVORCE

Nowhere does Moses define in detail the exact causes for which a husband might put away his wife, but left it to be judged by the people themselves. But he did ordain a law which acted as a check that the husband was not acting on hasty feelings or on a whim of his passions, or simply from some excited feeling, but that he should take the time to examine his reasons for wanting a divorce and should he still go ahead with it he was to give his wife a written legal document releasing her from the marriage bond.

This certificate gave her the freedom to pursue her desires regarding future marriages. It was a law designed to vindicate the wife's innocence; secure her inheritance from being taken from her because of her husband unjustly divorcing her, and protect her from any shame by showing that the cause of the divorce was the husband's will and pleasure.

THE MIDDLE EAST, MARRIAGE, AND DIVORCE

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It is only in the last ten years that Moslem women have had any rights in divorce prior to this a Moslem man only had to verbally say out loud to his wife, "You are loosed," three times and the Marriage was over, no-doubt this was more than likely the same with most marriages in the Middle East, even Jewish men believed they could divorce their wives for any reason.

THE KETUBBA, THE JEWS AND THEIR MARRIAGE CONTRACT

The Ketubba is the formal Jewish marriage contract written in Aramaic and guaranteeing a bride certain future rights before her marriage. Since Jewish religious law permits a man to divorce his wife at any time for any reason, the ketubba was introduced in ancient times to protect a woman's rights and to make divorce a costly matter for the husband. The conditions stipulated in the document also guarantee the woman's right to property when her husband dies. A Jewish wife carefully preserves the ketubba not as evidence of marriage, but for its future value.

As the founder of Bible House of Grace, I would like to thank the many Christian scholars, commentators and theologians who have gone before me, and the many today, who have freely made available their works to enhance the knowledge of the Bible to all people worldwide. It is only with the help of these faithful writers that much of Bible House of Grace exists as it does today.
