## Is the Pope Right? Are Catholic Marriages Invalid?

As most of you are aware of by now, I am sure, this past week in St. Peter's, at a conference on the family, Pope Francis made the incredible statement that the great majority of Catholic marriages today are invalid! And just so that you won't think I'm making this up, let me play this short clip: 'And because of this, the great majority of our sacramental marriages are null'.



Now, when he says the great majority of Catholic marriages are invalid today that would be more than 50% which would be just a simple majority. I'm not sure what he is talking about; maybe 75%, 85%, 95%? While I was talking with my sister about this, (and one of the reasons I value her opinion is because her son is a priest, and he was quite upset also), she agreed with the Pope! She said: the great majority of Catholic marriages today are invalid! Except, she disagreed with his reasoning.

Pope Francis said the majority are invalid because the couple is not willing to make a lifetime commitment. When they say they marry for better or for worse or for richer or for poorer or until death do them part they don't know what they are getting into. Of course, what he is really promoting is his annulment plan which basically is the same as Protestant divorce. It's just as easy to get an annulment in the Catholic Church under Pope Francis as it is for a Protestant to get a divorce!

In other words, there are hardly any impediments. This goes entirely against what Jesus said: 'What God has joined together let no man put asunder'. And my sister said that the real reason most Catholic marriages today are invalid is because the couple intends to use contraceptives and she is one hundred percent correct! If a couple

uses contraceptives, and sometimes they even plan to practice contraception at the time of their wedding, then their marriage is invalid.

Practicing birth control is one of the impediments to a true marriage in the Catholic Church. Jesus said: 'What God has joined together let no man put asunder', and a contraceptive, a condom, is a barrier between the husband and a wife just as much as a brick wall between two people would be. We need to understand that the relationship between a husband and wife must reflect the relationship between Jesus and the church.

I was talking with my parish priest the other day and I said 'Father, there is no condom between Jesus and the Church'. He looked at me a little strange; and all right, maybe I shouldn't put it that way. There is no barrier between Jesus and the Church, let's put it that way. Consequently, to me it is clear that the Pope has the power within his office to make sure that every marriage in the Catholic Church is valid and that is by requiring all of his priests to certify that all the couples he is marrying have pledged never to use contraceptives; then their marriage will mirror the relationship between Jesus and His Bride, the Church.

And I really don't think he's going to do that because, as I have said for a long time, he is the False Prophet. And the reason he is promoting this idea that all marriages in the Catholic Church, or the great majority, are invalid is so that it doesn't bother his conscience for him to promote annulments. It also means he can tell his priests to give communion to the divorced and remarried, which, as I've been saying, will invalidate the Holy Eucharist; it will be the Abomination of Desolation which Daniel warned about.

Jesus said, when you see that abomination, then you must flee the field, and the field Jesus is talking about in His Olivet Discourse, is the Roman Catholic Church. And we faithful Catholics, who have pledged to follow the rules of the Church, who do not agree with the world's view of contraception, we must establish our own 'stone cut out from the mountain' which will eventually defeat the false One World Government and the false One World Religion.