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John Allen Chalk
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Dear Bro. Chalk,

Over a period of years I have tried to collect material on divorce. From this I have worked up two lessons: "Divorce: A Modern Tragedy" and "Divorce: What Does the Bible Say." But this, to me, only presents the problem, not the solution. As all of us are aware, practically every church is filled with people who have been divorced and more and more of the people that we try to teach have been divorced. And the situation is getting worse all the time.

I would like therefore to work up a third lesson: "DIVORCE: WHAT CAN WE DO." Accordingly, I am writing to some of the best thinkers in the brotherhood for their suggestions. What I want from you is not a long discourse; a few sentences will be sufficient. I just want your candid opinion about what can be done about the divorce problem: in general, in the world, in the church. Actually any comment from you on the subject will be appreciated.

Whether we actually solve anything or not, I think the compiled suggestions will be thought-provoking. If you will do this for me, it will be most appreciated. Maybe I can do something for you someday.

Sincerely,

David Roper

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P.S. I am enclosing some of the material I use in "Divorce: A Modern Tragedy." I compiled it in this form to use in counseling. I thought it might be useful for reference material.