DIVORCE OR ENDING A PERMANENT MARRIAGE

- The man has the right to initiate the divorce. It is possible for the wife to have this right by proxy, only if it was agreed upon in the marriage contract.
- The divorce has to take place during a pure state after menses or giving birth, when there hasn’t been any sexual relations between them in that period of time.
- Two just witnesses must be present. Divorce takes place by uttering the formula of divorce in Arabic, if it is possible. He must intend the divorce by his words. The presence of the wife is not needed.

ENDING A TEMPORARY MARRIAGE

- There is no divorce in temporary marriage, but it ends in two ways:
  1. At the end of the specified duration which they agreed on conducting the marriage.
  2. If the husband foregoes the remaining duration.
- The couple remain married during the specified period. Mere separation or disconnection does not end the marriage.

IDDAH OR THE WAITING PERIOD

FOR A DIVORCEE
- 3 menstrual cycles
- In some instances and for unusual cycles the Iddah can be three months.
- FOR A PREGNANT DIVORCEE ends when she gives birth, or God forbids when she has a miscarriage

FOR A WIDOW
- 4 months & 10 days
- FOR A PREGNANT WIDOW
  - 4 months & 10 days
  - Giving birth or miscarriage

AFTER A TEMPORARY MARRIAGE

- 2 menstrual cycles
- In some instances and for unusual cycles it can be 45 days.
- FOR A PREGNANT WIDOW
  - 4 months & 10 days
  - Giving birth or miscarriage
- IF SHE WAS PREGNANT
  - ends when she gives birth, or God forbids when she has a miscarriage