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writes her a certificate of divorce and puts it in her hand, and sends her away from his house, or if the latter husband who took her to be his wife dies, ⁴then her former husband who sent her away is not allowed to take her again to be his wife, after she has been defiled;

for that is an abomination before the LORD, and you shall not bring sin on the land which the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance.

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