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[*Summary*]: The Strasbourg preachers declare legitimate the marriage of Heinrich Kieffer von Aschaffenburg and Elisabeth Frenckin, both parishioners of St. Thomas and both separated from their former spouses. Despite the episcopal mandate *Tolleramus* against remarriages, the preachers have formed their opinion on the basis of the inability of Kieffer and Frenckin to live a celibate life. They are following Paul's command to marry so as to avoid immorality (1 Cor. 7:2).