

God's Word for the Single Adult

1 Corinthians 7

The Single Life

The apostle Paul had much to say about the single life because he himself was single. Much of this chapter is directed to single adults, and from Paul's words we can derive four basic principles about the single life and God's Word to the single adult.

I. The single life is a _____ life. vs. 1, 8, 39-40

- A. Paul recommends the single life and says that it is a good life.
- B. If you are single, you do not need to focus on how _____ you are to be single. You can have just as _____ a life that honors God as a married person.
- C. Your identity is not wrapped up in your _____ status. You are a complete, whole person in Christ.

II. The single life is a life with _____ responsibility. vs. 33-34

- There are all kinds of responsibilities that come with _____ that a single person does not have to worry about.

III. The single life is a life with _____ opportunity for the Lord. vs. 32, 35

- Singles, you can give yourself wholly and unreservedly to the Lord. Do not think, "I will serve the Lord when I get married." _____ is the time. You can have your biggest _____ for the cause of Christ right now!

IV. The single life is a life of _____. vs. 6-7, 25

- Paul teaches that the single life is a good life, but it isn't for everybody, and you have liberty in Christ to make that _____ for yourself.

In Conclusion:

- A. God's desire is for you to be Spirit-filled, bearing the fruit of the Spirit in whatever condition you find yourself. Christ wants you to find your _____ in Him.
- B. Life is not about _____ the right person to marry; it is about _____ the person God wants you to be in Christ, manifesting His glory and His life.