



NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN CENTER
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SINGLE

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- Singleness is not your entire _____.
- Marriage is _____ the only God-ordained _____.
- A different relational status does not guarantee life would be _____.
- Me + someone else does not necessarily equal _____.
- Singleness does not always equal _____, and marriage does not always equal _____.

...be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you."
Hebrews 13:5 (NLT)

_____ in singleness _____ in marriage

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1. Experience singleness as a _____.

Now regarding the questions you asked in your letter. Yes, it is good to abstain from sexual relations. 1 Corinthians 7:1 (NLT)

So I say to those who aren't married and to widows—it's better to stay unmarried, just as I am. 1 Corinthians 7:8 (NLT)

Each of you should continue to live in whatever situation the Lord has placed you, and remain as you were when God first called you. 1 Corinthians 7:17 (NLT)

2. Singleness is a _____ to me and to others.

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3. Singleness is a way to bring _____ to God.

So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. 1 Corinthians 10:31 (NLT)



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- Singleness is not your entire IDENTITY.
- Marriage is NOT the only God-ordained LIFESTYLE.
- A different relational status does not guarantee life would be BETTER.
- Me + someone else does not necessarily equal HAPPINESS.
- Singleness does not always equal LONELINESS, and marriage does not always equal INTIMACY.

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Abstinence in singleness
Faithfulness in marriage

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1. Experience singleness as a GOOD THING.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
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CONNECT

What is the current cultural view of singleness and marriage?

ENGAGE

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

GROW

1. According to 1 Corinthians 7:7-8, how does Paul describe singleness and marriage?
2. How can the instruction in 1 Corinthians 7:17 to “remain as you were when God first called you” be applied to both singles and married individuals?
3. What does it mean to “do it all for the glory of God” as stated in 1 Corinthians 10:31, especially in the context of singleness?
4. How does God’s Word challenge the cultural presumption that there is something wrong with being single?
5. Reflect on your own life: Do you find your identity more in your marital status or in being a follower of Jesus? How can you shift your focus to the latter?

LEAD (YOURSELF)

What specific actions can you take to live a life of purity and devotion to Christ, regardless of your marital status? How can you hold yourself accountable in this area?