

DIGGING DEEPER

1 Corinthians 7v25-40 – Singleness

PLEASE READ - 1 Cor 7v25-40

GETTING STARTED

Do you think the church / our church is good at including, loving and supporting those who are single?

1) IT IS GOOD TO STAY AS YOU ARE (V24-28)

What does Paul mean in v25 when he says... 'I have no command from the Lord'? Compare that with what we read in v10 and v12

What is Paul's reasoning in v26 for 'staying as you are'? Read v22 and 29 for additional help...

Given what we read in v22 and 29 – what is the secret of being content?

What can you do to foster contentment in Christ in your own life?

2) KEEP ETERNITY IN VIEW (V29-31)

Why does Paul speak about the fleeting nature of the things of this world?

Are there any worldly dreams that you are holding on to too tightly?

What will last forever? How should that shape our understanding of marriage and singleness?

3) ENJOY THE PRESENT BLESSINGS OF BEING SINGLE (V32-35)

Chat about the contrast Paul draws between married people and single people in relation to his goal of undivided devotion to the Lord...

Chat about the following statement... "Single people are a great gift to the church."

4) IF MARRIAGE IS AN OPTION, CHOOSE WISELY (V36-40)

Discuss Paul's instruction in v39 and its implications for how we minister to one another as fellow believers...

Given what we've looked at over these last few weeks – why is the promise below in Rom 8v28 so precious?

Meditate on the verse below...

Rom 8v28: And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.