

first comes love



Sermon Series

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The Gift of Singleness

Single | Dating | Married | Parenting

Fear | Pride | Lust

World: "You're single, have fun!"

Church: "You're single? Hold on!"

1 Corinthians 7:7-9 (NIV) — I wish that all of you were as I am. But each of you has your own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that.

Now to the unmarried and the widows I say: It is good for them to stay unmarried, as I do. But if they cannot control themselves, they should marry, for it is better to marry than to burn with passion.

1 Corinthians 7:35 (NIV) — I am saying this for your own good, not to restrict you, but that you may live in a right way in undivided devotion to the Lord.

1 Corinthians 7:35 (NASB) — I say this for your own benefit, not to put a restraint on you, but to promote what is appropriate and to secure undistracted devotion to the Lord.

Appropriateness is often about timing.

Singleness is a gift for...

1) Growth and Maturing.

We must get our relationship with God right before we can get our relationship with a guy or girl right.

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3) Wholehearted Devotion.

Overcome: 1) Loneliness

2) Temptation

3) Complacency

Overcome: 1) Loneliness = Community

2) Temptation = Accountability

3) Complacency = Purpose