

1 CORINTHIANS | SINGLENES, MARRIAGE, AND REMARRIAGE

1 CORINTHIANS 7:1-16

Paul dealt with sexual immorality in the sixth chapter of First Corinthians. Sexual immorality was extensive in Corinth and Paul needed to correct the Corinthian Church to minimize the damage caused by their unbiblical lifestyles. Often, we swing from one side of the pendulum to the other. The Corinthians seemed to counteract rampant sexual immorality with the thought that all sexual relations were forbidden by God. Paul responded by correcting their position and laying out biblical principles for married couples and singles. When are sexual relations appropriate? When is marriage advisable and when should a person remain single? Paul addresses these issues in 1 Corinthians 7.

1. Sexual intimacy is a crucial element of a marriage relationship, fosters _____ and helps prevent _____.
7:1-5
2. Singleness is an _____ lifestyle for a believer and allows for complete focus on the Lord's _____. 7:6-7
3. It is a benefit for widows or unmarried people to lead a _____ lifestyle, but if the temptation is serious, they are encouraged to _____ those who are "in the Lord". 7:8-9, 39-40
4. It is God's design that married believers should _____
_____. 7:10-11
5. If a _____ is already married to an _____, God directs them to _____ married unless the unbeliever refuses. 7:12-16