

Are Marriage & Remarriage Okay?

I. Complexities in Marriage (25-35)

It will be easier to be devoted to the Lord if you remain in your marital status.

II. Concessions to Marriage (36-40)

It is better to remain single if acceptable, but if not, marry another believer.

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. Do you think marriage is more difficult today than in the past? Explain.
2. What 3 groups of people are addressed in 1 Corinthians 7:25-28, and what does Paul tell them? Why?

What are some of the most common "troubles" marriages face today?

What are some of your more challenging circumstances?

3. In verses 29-31 Paul gives instructions to live "as though" in several areas. What does this mean and why does he urge this?

Do you think this applies to the Corinthians and their circumstances, or to our time as well? Explain.

If you knew you had only 2 years left to live, what would you do differently?

4. Paul points out that the married person will (rightly) be concerned with how to please their spouse in verses 32-35. What does he say should be most important for all Christians? How would you describe it?

What challenges you to living like this? What helps most?

5. In verses 36-40 what does Paul think is better than marriage or remarriage? What needs to be considered?

6. What is your personal application to the teaching in this passage?