



Choices for Unmarrieds (1 Corinthians 7) – Choices Series - February 3-4, 2018

STUDY NOTES || SPEAKING PASTOR TIM HOWEY

// WHAT'S "GOOD" ABOUT BEING UNMARRIED?

- For I wish that all men were even as I myself. But each one has his own gift from God, one in this manner and another in that. 1 Corinthians 7:7 NKJV
- But I say to the unmarried and to the widows: It is good for them if they remain even as I am; 1 Corinthians 7:8 NKJV

1. Fewer distractions in your mind & heart

- But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord—how he may please the Lord. 1 Corinthians 7:32 NKJV
- But he who is married cares about the things of the world—how he may please *his* wife. 1 Corinthians 7:33 NKJV

2. Fewer distractions on your calendar

- And this I say for your own profit, not that I may put a leash on you, but for what is proper, and that you may serve the Lord without distraction. 1 Corinthians 7:35 NKJV

// WHAT'S CHALLENGING ABOUT BEING UNMARRIED?

1. Christian companionship

- And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him. Genesis 2:18 NKJV

2. Sexual activity

- Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body." 1 Corinthians 6:18 NKJV

3. "Marriage would fix ____"

- But even if you do marry, you have not sinned; and if a virgin marries, she has not sinned. Nevertheless such will have trouble in the flesh, but I would spare you. 1 Corinthians 7:28 NKJV

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- ...Are you loosed from a wife? Do not seek a wife. 1 Corinthians 7:27 NKJV
- ...be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 7:39 NKJV
- Can two walk together, unless they are agreed? Amos 3:3 NKJV
- Test all things; hold fast what is good. 1 Thessalonians 5:21 NKJV
- ...in the multitude of counselors *there is safety*. Proverbs 11:14 NKJV