

**GRADUATE STUDIES IN CHURCH LEADERSHIP**  
**COURSE 9: PASTORING MARRIAGE – A SERIOUS CALLING (Matthew 19:10-12)**  
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**THE SITUATION:**

<sup>10</sup> "His disciples said to Him, 'If this is the case between a man and his wife, it is better not to marry.'"  
Matthew 19:10 (BSB)

- **THEY \_\_\_\_\_ THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_**

**DUE TO ITS \_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>18</sup> "The LORD God also said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make for him a suitable helper.'"  
Genesis 2:18 (BSB)

- **THEY SPEAK \_\_\_\_\_ OF WHAT SCRIPTURE \_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>22</sup> "He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the LORD."  
Proverbs 18:22 (BSB)

<sup>4</sup> "Marriage should be honored by all..."  
Hebrews 13:4 (BSB)

**JESUS' BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE ON MARRIAGE AND SINGLENESS:**

<sup>11</sup> "Not everyone can accept this word,' He replied..."  
Matthew 19:11 (BSB)

- **THE OVERWHELMING \_\_\_\_\_ CANNOT \_\_\_\_\_**

**\_\_\_\_\_ WITHOUT \_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>1</sup> "...It is good to abstain from sexual relations. <sup>2</sup>But because there is so much sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife, and each woman her own husband."

1 Corinthians 7:1-2 (BSB)

<sup>8</sup> "Now to the unmarried and widows I say this: It is good for them to remain unmarried, as I am. <sup>9</sup>But if they cannot control themselves, let them marry. For it is better to marry than to burn with passion."  
1 Corinthians 7:8-9 (BSB)

- **THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY ARE \_\_\_\_\_ TO**

**\_\_\_\_\_.**

- **\_\_\_\_\_ IS NOT A \_\_\_\_\_, UNLESS IT \_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>11</sup> "...but only those to whom it has been given."  
Matthew 19:11 (BSB)

<sup>12</sup> "For there are eunuchs who were born that way; others were made that way by men; and still others live like eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven."  
Matthew 19:12 (BSB)

- **SINGLENESS IS DRIVEN BY EITHER \_\_\_\_\_ OR**

**\_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>12</sup> "...The one who can accept this should accept it."

Matthew 19:12 (BSB)

### A PRACTICAL MOMENT...

- FOR THE MARRIED:

- \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR \_\_\_\_\_.

- FOR THE GIFTED SINGLE:

- BE \_\_\_\_\_ BUT \_\_\_\_\_.

- FOR THE UNGIFTED SINGLE

- \_\_\_\_\_ THIS SEASON IN \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ IS A \_\_\_\_\_ OF IT.
- BE \_\_\_\_\_, YET \_\_\_\_\_.

### BOTTOM LINE:

IT'S \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ EITHER \_\_\_\_\_ YOU \_\_\_\_\_.

### NEXT STEPS

- **MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT**
  - There are numerous ways to help disciple the Next Generation of GNG in our G-Kids Ministries. We are particularly in need of small group leaders and classroom helpers.
- **Q&A**
  - There will be a Q&A after this series. Please turn in any questions via Connect Card or email, and JD will answer them in a live, in-person/livestreamed Q&A time to be announced in the coming weeks.