

Understanding Devotion in Marriage

Marriage Matters Series

Discussion Questions

- **What examples of devotion do we celebrate in our culture?**
- **Read 1 Corinthians 7:12-16.**
 - What do you know about the culture of Corinth that would be helpful to keep in mind as we read this passage?
 - Describe the situation that Paul is addressing in this passage.
- **Look at verses 12-13, 15.**
 - What commands does Paul give in this passage?
 - Have you (or are you) in a marriage like Paul describes?
 - How does this passage encourage or challenge you?
- **Look at verses 14, 16.**
 - What does Paul mean when he says they are “made holy”?
 - If a believing spouse is concerned about being “defiled” by remaining married to an unbeliever, how does verse 14 address that concern?
 - How does this passage encourage or challenge you?
- **How does this passage apply to all marriages (and not just a marriage between someone who became a believer after being married)?**
 - What does this passage teach us about devotion in marriage?
 - How does being devoted to Jesus impact your devotion to your spouse?
- **Which of the gospel identities (citizen, family, missionary) does this message most intersect?**