

"Sometimes I wish everyone were single like me - a simpler life in many ways! But celibacy is not for everyone any more than marriage is. God gives the gift of the single life to some, the gift of the married life to others...

I want you to live as free of complications as possible. When you're unmarried, you're free to concentrate on simply pleasing the Master.

Marriage involves you in all the distractions of domestic life and in wanting to please your spouse.

The time and energy that married people spend on domestic distraction, the unmarried can spend in becoming whole and holy instruments of God."

Many treat singleness as the line waiting for the marriage train.



Singleness is a gift from God.



What are you doing with the time God has given you in your singleness?

This is your time for **UNDISTRACTED DEVOTION** to the things of God.

We are called to something much bigger than ourselves. **Being disciples who make disciples.**

If you don't first develop devotion to God, all of your other relationships will deteriorate.

If you don't have your life together in singleness, you won't have it together in marriage either.

What to look out for in yourself and others.

CAUSE
What are they passionate about?
Playtime vs God time

CHARACTER
Do they have a godly character?

COMMUNITY
What are their friends and family like? What do your friends and family think of them?

CHEMISTRY
This comes after everything else. Charm is deceptive. Beauty is fleeting.

Make the most of the time God has given you, living on mission.