

Arrows
Singleness & Dating
September 28/29, 2019

1 Corinthians 9:26 Therefore I do not run like someone running **aimlessly**; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air.

Keys to Your Season of Singleness:

1. The purpose of singleness is devotion to the Lord

1 Corinthians 7:32-35 I want you to be free from the concerns of this life. An unmarried man can spend his time doing the Lord's work and thinking how to please him. But a married man has to think about his earthly responsibilities and how to please his wife. His interests are divided. In the same way, a woman who is no longer married or has never been married can be devoted to the Lord and holy in body and in spirit. But a married woman has to think about her earthly responsibilities and how to please her husband. I am saying this for your benefit, not to place restrictions on you. I want you to do whatever will help you serve the Lord best, with as few distractions as possible.

2. Don't take the bait,

1 Peter 5:8-9 Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.

3. Stay on the path because you don't know what lies ahead.

Psalms 16:11 You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Keys to Dating:

1. Be the minority, not the majority.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5 It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God.

2. Kill the lists... discover values.

3. Love is not a feeling, love is a choice.

Matthew 5:43-44 "You have heard the law that says, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you!"

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

Walk-Away: When you look to God as your source, every other relationship in your life will be better.

Upcoming Events:

- Water Baptisms – October 5th/6th after each service
- Growth Track Step 1 – October 6th @ 9:30am in the Student Center.
- GIRL COLLECTIVE Ladies Event – Friday, October 25th @ 6:30pm. \$10 per person, register online.