



THE LIFE-CYCLE OF A CHRISTIAN HOME
PART ONE: THE SINGLE LIFE
1 Corinthians 7:6-9

1. The _____ of Singleness

It is a work of the grace of God to live the single life. It might be for a brief period or for the duration, but God has gifted some to thrive in His will through a single life.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. ~ 1 Peter 4:10

2. The _____ of Singleness

There are three conditions of singleness: never been married, previously married and widowed. And in each case, God has opportunity for His service.

Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches. ~ 1 Corinthians 7:17

3. The _____ of Singleness

There is a nobility in all of God's purposes for His people. Paul equated singleness to an honorable life from God, for there is much that can be done when there are no other considerations but God.

I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. ~ 1 Corinthians 7:32

4. The _____ of Singleness

For some, singleness must come to an end. It is far better to marry, and live in holy matrimony, than to try to maintain holiness while your self-control is lacking.

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ~ Romans 6:12

1 CORINTHIANS 7:35

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Additional Scripture References
(And Rabbit Trails Discussion)

Romans 12:6

Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith

1 Corinthians 12:1, 4

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed... Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.

Matthew 19:12

"For there are eunuchs who have been so from birth, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. Let the one who is able to receive this receive it."

Isaiah 56:4-5

For thus says the Lord: "To the eunuchs who keep my Sabbaths, who choose the things that please me and hold fast my covenant, I will give in my house and within my walls a monument and a name better than sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off."

1 Thessalonians 4:1

Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more.

Hebrews 13:16

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

1 Timothy 5:11

But refuse to enroll younger widows, for when their passions draw them away from Christ, they desire to marry.

1 Corinthians 7:36

If anyone thinks that he is not behaving properly toward his betrothed, if his passions are strong, and it has to be, let him do as he wishes: let them marry—it is no sin.