

1 Corinthians 7 Notes

In this chapter Paul deals with marriage. He presents marriage as a special gift from God.

6 subjects in the chapter

1. General marriage principles
2. The unmarried and widows
3. The married
4. Christian and unbelievers in marriage
5. Virgins
6. Widows

V1 “good not to touch” Corinth was a very immoral city. It was filled with fornication and perversion. Keep your hands to yourself unless you are married! Fornication was an issue in this church.

V2 1 man for 1 woman Gods perfect plan

V3-5 Only valid reason to separate. This is not a separation leading to divorce, it is for spiritual purposes, v5

1. With mutual consent
2. For a specific time-to focus on fasting and prayer
3. Come back together

V6 “permission” - Guidelines to keep Satan out of the marriage

NOTE all Scripture is inspired, so these “guidelines” are inspired

NOTE- in this context the unmarried are those who have never been married

v10 if you’re married stay married

12-16 Mixed marriage if the lost departs the believer is not bound

V17-24 Continue serving in the situation God has given.

V24 Live like what we claim to be no matter what the situation.

25-40 general marriage principles