

# Godly Considerations for Marriage and Singleness

1 Corinthians 7:32-40 (series #30)

**Intro: The difficulty having to think through issues.**

- I. Marriage Involves Responsibility vv. 32-33**
  - A. The parallel with the end of verse 28**
  - B. You should seek to please your spouse**
  - C. Singleness provides more time for ministry**
  
- II. These Thoughts are for our Good v. 34**
  - A. Singleness is not the only option**
  - B. Singleness should be seriously considered**
  
- III. The Input to Fathers w/ Daughters vv. 36-38**
  - A. It is not a sin to give your daughter in marriage**
  - B. It is not always necessary to give her in marriage**
    - 1. The particular circumstances v. 37**
    - 2. This is better v. 38**
      - a. Because there are advantages to singleness**
      - b. Because of the severe distress (verse 26)**
  
- IV. God's Standard is Marriage for Life vv. 39-40**
  - A. Widows are free to remarry, only in the Lord**
  - B. Consideration should be given to staying single**

**Conclusion: The practicality of the word of God!**