



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

January 28, 2024
1 Corinthians 7:1-24
“Singleness and Marriage”

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

1. In the American Church, including IDC, it can be easy to treat single Christians as second class citizens. What does our growth group need to change to be more inclusive of our single brothers and sisters? Single Christians, how can the church and Growth Group be better at loving you and including you?
2. Is sexual temptation a good reason to get married? (Consider Proverbs 5:15ff)
3. Considering verses 3-4, what does a God-glorifying marriage that has equality and is reciprocal and mutual look like?
4. Verse 5 considers sex an admonition, but also gives an exception. What would this look like in a God-glorifying marriage?
5. Tony discussed the idea of the “gift of singleness” as more of a “gift of contentment” rather than of “lifelong celibacy.” Why do you think this is an important distinction?
6. Tony quoted Andrew Wilson: “If the opportunity to be married presents itself, you should take it. If it doesn’t, don’t let it trouble you; the person who is single at conversion is married to the Lord. And whether you get married or not, you must not regard yourself as owned by anyone except Christ.” How does being single or married reflect the gospel?
7. The big idea of this passage is contentment. What is the role of contentment in marriage? What about in singleness?
8. Tony gave 5 summary statements on contentment at the end of the sermon. What are they? What steps need to be taken for us to apply these things?