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SINGLENES AND THE NEXT GENERATION

1 Corinthians 7

Four Foundations for Biblical Singleness...

- Both singleness and marriage are _____.
 - Biblically, marriage is _____.
 - Biblically, singleness is _____.
- Both singleness and marriage portray the _____.
 - Marriage portrays...
 - Christ's sacrificial love for the church.
 - The church's submissive obedience to Christ.
 - Singleness portrays...
 - The Christian's ultimate _____ in Christ.
 - The Christian's eternal _____ with the church.
 - In the past (old covenant), singleness was _____ by most.
 - In the present (new covenant), singleness is _____ for many.
 - In the future (new creation), singleness will be _____ to all.
- Both singleness and marriage are God's _____.
 - Contentment is deep trust in the _____ of God.
 - Contentment is deep enjoyment of the _____ of God.
- Both singleness and marriage are for God's _____.
 - Singleness has a purpose we must be careful not to _____.

Four Reasons to Delight in Singleness...

- Because of the _____ we're in.
 - We are looking forward to an eternal _____.
- Because of the _____ we're on.
 - We are living for an eternal _____.
- Because we want to be _____ in our affections.
 - We guard against unholy _____ desires.
 - We guard against unholy _____ desires.
- Because we want to be _____ in our devotion.
 - We give ourselves wholly to a _____ desire...
 - To use God's _____ for God's _____ in the next generation and among all nations.



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Four Foundations for Biblical Singleness...

- Both singleness and marriage are **good**.
 - Biblically, marriage is **expected**.
 - Biblically, singleness is **exceptional**.
- Both singleness and marriage portray the **gospel**.
 - Marriage portrays...
 - Christ's sacrificial love for the church.
 - The church's submissive obedience to Christ.
 - Singleness portrays...
 - The Christian's ultimate **identity** in Christ.
 - The Christian's eternal **identification** with the church.
 - In the past (old covenant), singleness was **avoided** by most.
 - In the present (new covenant), singleness is **advantageous** for many.
 - In the future (new creation), singleness will be **applied** to all.
- Both singleness and marriage are God's **gifts**.
 - Contentment is deep trust in the **sovereignty** of God.
 - Contentment is deep enjoyment of the **grace** of God.
- Both singleness and marriage are for God's **glory**.
 - Singleness has a purpose we must be careful not to **waste**.

Four Reasons to Delight in Singleness...

- Because of the **times** we're in.
 - We are looking forward to an eternal **hope**.
- Because of the **mission** we're on.
 - We are living for an eternal **heritage**.
- Because we want to be **undistracted** in our affections.
 - We guard against unholy **sexual** desires.
 - We guard against unholy **selfish** desires.
- Because we want to be **undivided** in our devotion.
 - We give ourselves wholly to a **single** desire...
 - To use God's **good gift** for God's **great glory** in the next generation and among all nations.