

Lesson 7

1 Corinthians 7:1-40

• Questions

1. What did Paul say was good for a man (7:1)?

2. What counsel did Paul give concerning fornication (7:2)?

3. What responsibility do the husband and the wife have toward each other (7:3-4)?

4. What did Paul tell husbands and wives not to do and why (7:5)?

5. What concession or permission did Paul give (7:6-7)?

6. What did Paul write to the unmarried (7:8-9)?

7. What did Paul write to the married (7:10-11)?

8. What did Paul write to believers married to unbelievers (7:12-14)?

9. What did Paul write concerning an unbeliever departing from a believer (7:15-16)?

10. What did Paul say to do concerning each one's calling (7:17-24)?

11. What did Paul write concerning virgins (7:25-28)?

12. How did Paul want the Corinthians to live at this time (7:29-31)?

13. What did Paul want the Corinthians to be free from at this time and why (7:32-35)?

14. What did Paul say concerning a virgin marrying and a virgin not marrying (7:36-38)?

15. How long are a wife and a husband bound in marriage to each other (7:39)?

16. What did Paul write concerning a widow (7:39-40)?

• **Digging Deeper**

1. What does “touch” (KJV) mean in verse 1?

2. What does “not under bondage” mean in verse 15?

3. What might the “distress” be that is mentioned in verse 26?

4. What does “only in the Lord” mean in verse 39?

• Applications for Today

1. God wants the sexual relationship to be between a man and a woman and he wants that relationship to be within a godly marriage, not fornication (7:1-5, 9). What relationship did God ordain for a man and a woman from the beginning of time (Gen. 2:24; Eph. 5:28-33)?
2. A person can choose to remain single throughout their life and still be a faithful servant of the Lord (7:7-8, 26, 37, 40). What is one thing a single person does not have to worry about that married people do have to worry about (1 K. 21:25-26)?
3. Two people in a God-approved marriage are not to depart or divorce (7:10-11). What happens when a spouse puts away (divorces) their mate and marries another when no fornication has been committed by their mate (Mt. 5:31-32; 19:6, 9; Mk. 10:11-12; Lk. 16:18)?
4. Marriage is permanent and for life, so choose your mate wisely and carefully (7:39). What happens when a spouse marries another while their mate is still living (Rom. 7:2-3)?