

*Welcome!*



1 CORINTHIANS

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# 1 Corinthians 6: 15 (ESV)

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*Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never!*

# 1 Corinthians 6: 16 (ESV)

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*Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.”*

# 1 Corinthians 6: 17 (ESV)

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*But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him.*

# 1 Corinthians 6: 18 (ESV)

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**Flee** from sexual immorality.

Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body.

# 1 Corinthians 6: 19 (ESV)

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*Or do you not know that  
your body is a temple of the  
Holy Spirit within you,  
whom you have from  
God? **You are not your  
own***

Question?

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What does it mean that we  
are not our own?

# 1 Corinthians 6: 20 (ESV)

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**for you were bought with  
a price.** So glorify God in  
your body.

Question?

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If you were bought, who do  
you belong to?

Question?

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What price was paid for  
you?

Question?

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So how should we live as  
Christians free from death  
and sin?

# 1 Corinthians 6: 20 (ESV)

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*for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.*

Question?

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How do we glorify God with  
our body?

Question?

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So what should we do?



# **Marriage Retreat**

By the Apostle Paul

Question?

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What is the secret to a  
lasting marriage?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 1 (ESV)

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*Now concerning the matters about **which you wrote**: “It is good for a man not to have sexual relations with a woman.”*

# Question?

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The Church in Corinth had made this statement to Paul in writing, so what can we learn about what the Church was teaching?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 1 (ESV)

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*Now concerning the matters about which you wrote: **“It is good for a man not to have sexual relations with a woman.”***

# Question?

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Is it good for a man or woman to remain celibate?

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Are there some religions  
that require celibacy?

Question?

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Was Paul married?

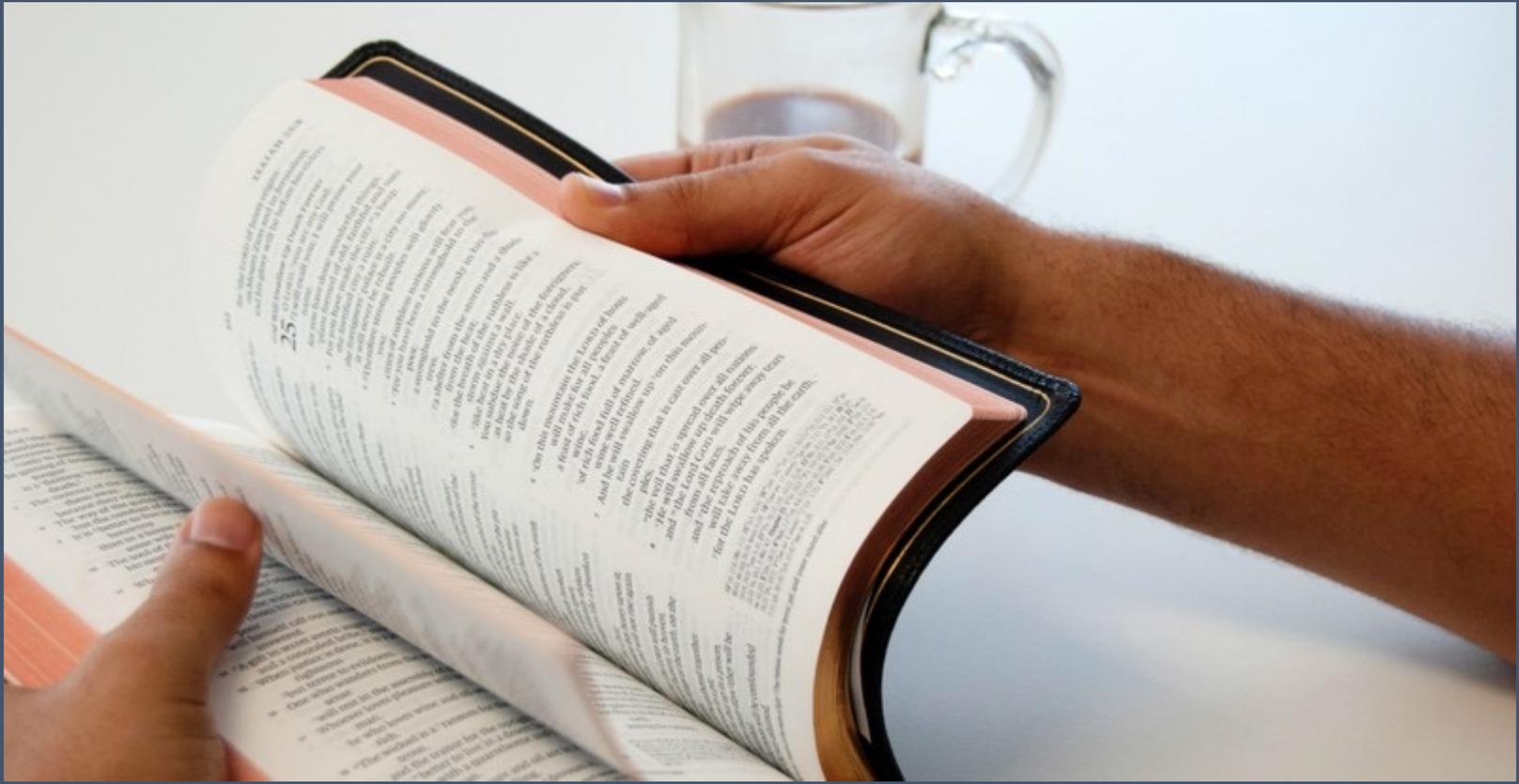
There is no definitive answer, however history tells us that a requirement to be a member of the Sanhedrin was to be married.

Widower was not a word used in Greek writing. The Greek word for widow was used to describe a woman who lost her husband and was left unmarried and destitute, but a man who loses his wife is simply called unmarried.

Question?

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Does God want us to  
marry?



Please turn to:  
Mark 10: 9

# Mark 10: 9 (ESV)

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*What therefore God has  
joined together, let not  
man separate.”*

# 1 Corinthians 7: 2 (ESV)

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*But because of the temptation to sexual immorality, each man should **have** his own wife and each woman her own husband.*

Question?

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What is Paul saying here?

# Question?

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Is there the temptation of  
sexual immorality today?

# Question?

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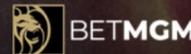
What does society teach our children about sexuality?



**T**he decision by Chicago Public Schools to place condoms in schools across the city has sparked debate from many parents.

According to the *Chicago Sun-Times*, under a new policy passed by the Chicago Public Schools Board of Education, schools in the city that teach fifth grade or higher must make condoms available for students in schools. The *Sun-Times* reported that the condom availability policy will apply to all but a dozen of the city's 600 public schools.

While speaking with the *Sun-Times*, Maria Serrano, whose daughter is a sophomore in high school in Chicago, criticized the decision by Chicago Public Schools and said that schools in the city should be more focused on providing students with sexual education.



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# NYC Schools Can Finally Demonstrate How To Use Condoms

BY [JEN CHUNG](#)

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Even though [top city officials said](#) that students should be taught how to use condoms, it actually wasn't part of the health class curriculum. Until now.

# **There is broad support for LGBT-inclusive, comprehensive sex education**

Most parents, medical organizations, and educational organizations support the teaching of LGBT-inclusive, comprehensive sex education in schools. National surveys reveal that 93 percent of parents of junior high school students and 91 percent of parents of high school students believe it is important to teach sex education in schools, and that 80 percent of parents of junior high school students and 73 percent of parents of high school students believe sexual orientation is an appropriate topic for inclusion. Parental support for comprehensive sex education cuts across political and religious lines.

Additionally, many organizations, including the American Medical Association, the National Education Association, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, all support LGBT-inclusive, comprehensive sex education.

Policies supporting comprehensive sex education such as the Real Education for Healthy Youth Act align with both parents' preferences and expert recommendations concerning the health and well-being of students.

# 1 Corinthians 7: 2 (ESV)

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*But because of the temptation to sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband.*

# 1 Corinthians 7: 3 (ESV)

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*The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband.*

# Question?

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What is Paul talking about  
here?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 4 (ESV)

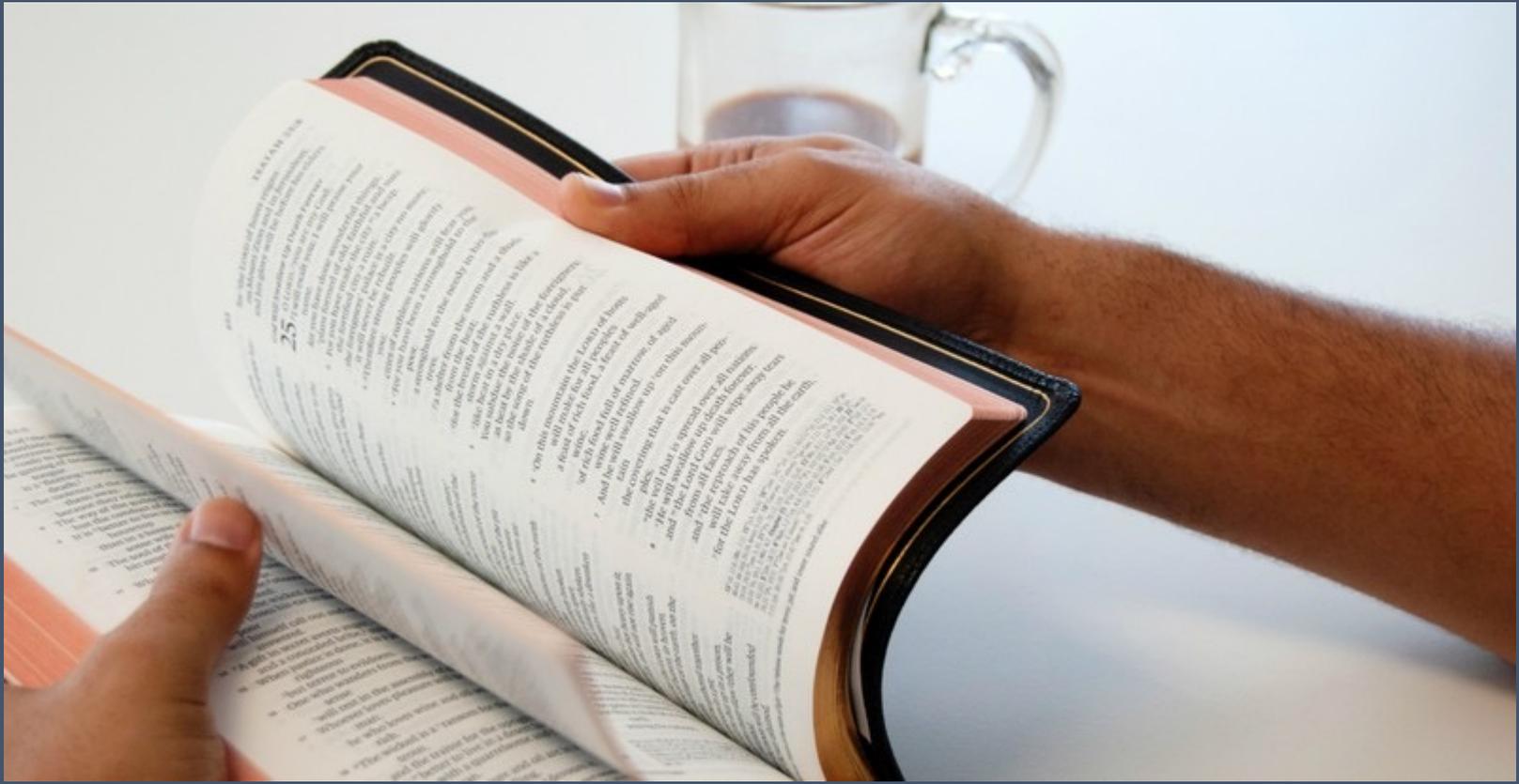
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*For the wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does. Likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does.*

# Question?

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What is Paul describing  
here?



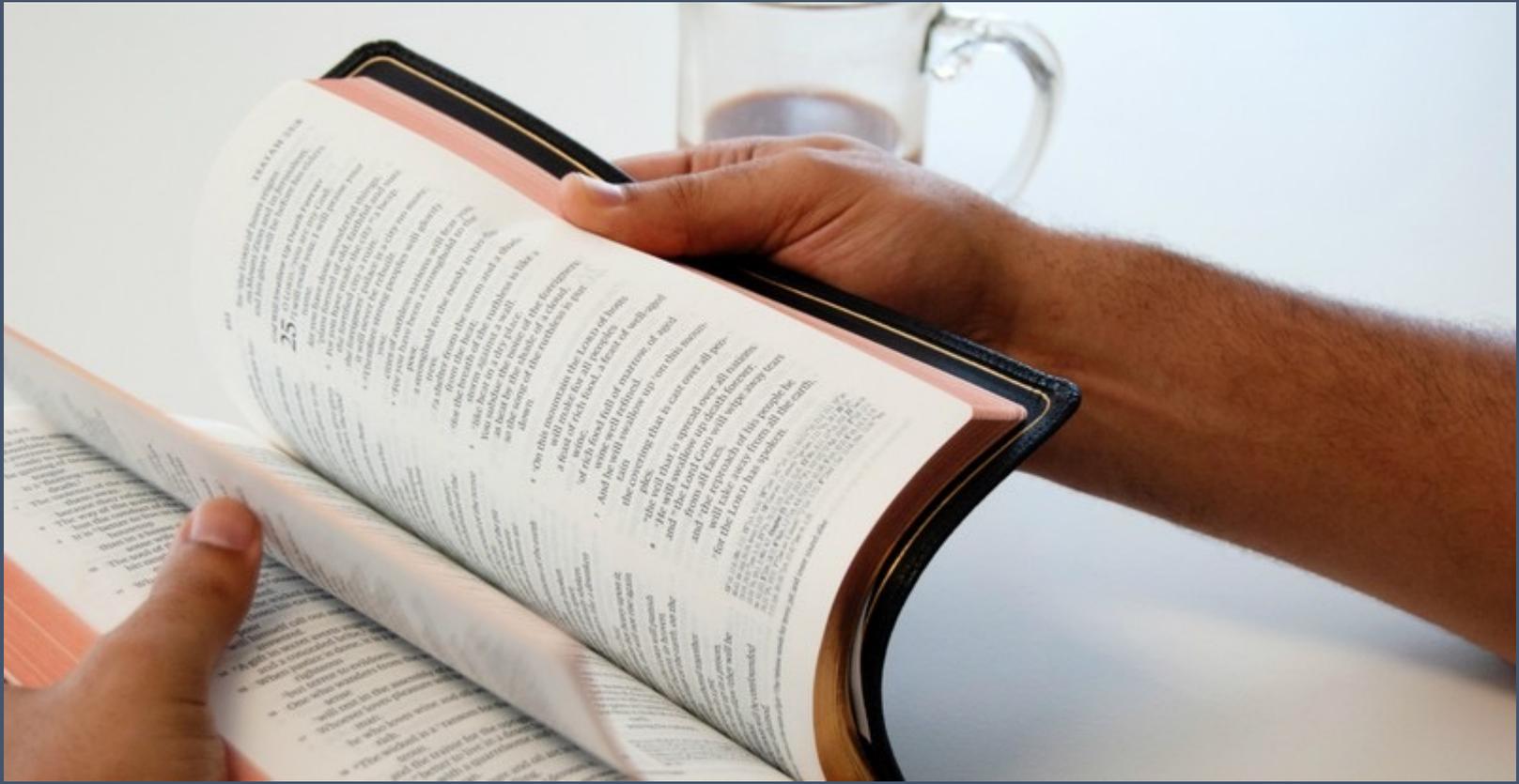
Please turn to:  
Genesis 2: 24

# Genesis 2: 24 (NIV)

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*That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.*

God designed sex to create a deep emotional physical and spiritual unity between a husband and a wife, the two becoming one flesh that can never be separated again because they share the same body.



Please turn to:  
Matthew 19: 3-6

## Matthew 19: 3-6 (ESV)

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*And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful to divorce one's wife for any cause?”*

# Matthew 19: 3-6 (ESV)

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*He answered, “Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female,*

## Matthew 19: 3-6 (ESV)

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*and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'?*

# Matthew 19: 3-6 (ESV)

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**So they are no longer two**  
**but one flesh.** What  
therefore God has joined  
together, let not man  
separate.”

Question?

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Is this how sex is viewed  
today?

# Question?

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If God views a man and woman who have had sex as united into one flesh, imagine how some look to God?

MARY SHELLEY'S  
**FRANKENSTEIN**

BE WARNED IT'S ALIVE



Question?

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What would happen if the  
world truly understood  
this?

1 Corinthians 7: 5 (ESV)

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**Do not deprive one another**, except perhaps by agreement for a limited time, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, so that Satan may not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

Question?

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What is Paul talking about  
depriving one another of?

# World's View of Sex

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Sex is all about your wants,  
your needs, your desires,  
your pleasure... **It is all  
about you.**

# God's View of Sex

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Biblical sex is all about the  
needs, desires, pleasure...  
of your husband or wife,  
**not you.**

# Question?

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Why is Paul telling a husband and wife to not deprive one another of sex?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 6 (ESV)

*Do not deprive one another, except perhaps by agreement for a limited time, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, **so that Satan may not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.***

Question?

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Who is responsible for an  
affair?

## 1 Corinthians 7: 5 (ESV)

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*Do not deprive one another, except perhaps by agreement for a limited time, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, so that Satan may not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.*

# 1 Corinthians 7: 6 (ESV)

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**Now as a concession, not a command, I say this.** I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has his own gift from God, one of one kind and one of another.

Question?

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Is what Paul is getting ready  
to say a command?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 6-7 (ESV)

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*Now as a concession, not a command, I say this. I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has his own gift from God, one of one kind and one of another.*

Question?

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What is Paul talking about  
here?

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Some people have a desire  
to be married and look  
forward to being married.

Some love being single and  
have no desire to get  
married.

A man or woman may be  
gifted with singleness, and  
there is nothing wrong with  
this.

1 Corinthians 7: 8-9 (ESV)

*To the unmarried and the widows I say that it is good for them to remain single, as I am. But if they cannot exercise self-control, they should marry. For it is better to marry than to burn with passion.*

Question?

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What is Paul saying here?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 10 (ESV)

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*To the married I give this charge (not I, but the Lord): the wife should not separate from her husband*

Question?

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What does marriage mean  
to God?

Mark 10: 7-9 (ESV)

*‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’*

*So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”*

Question?

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What does marriage mean  
to society today?

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Our society today has redefined the institution of marriage to fit the sinful desires of the flesh, which is why marriages do not last today.

Marriage, as designed by God, is between a man and a woman for life.

# 1 Corinthians 7: 11 (ESV)

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*(but if she does, she should remain unmarried or else be reconciled to her husband), and the husband should not divorce his wife.*

Question?

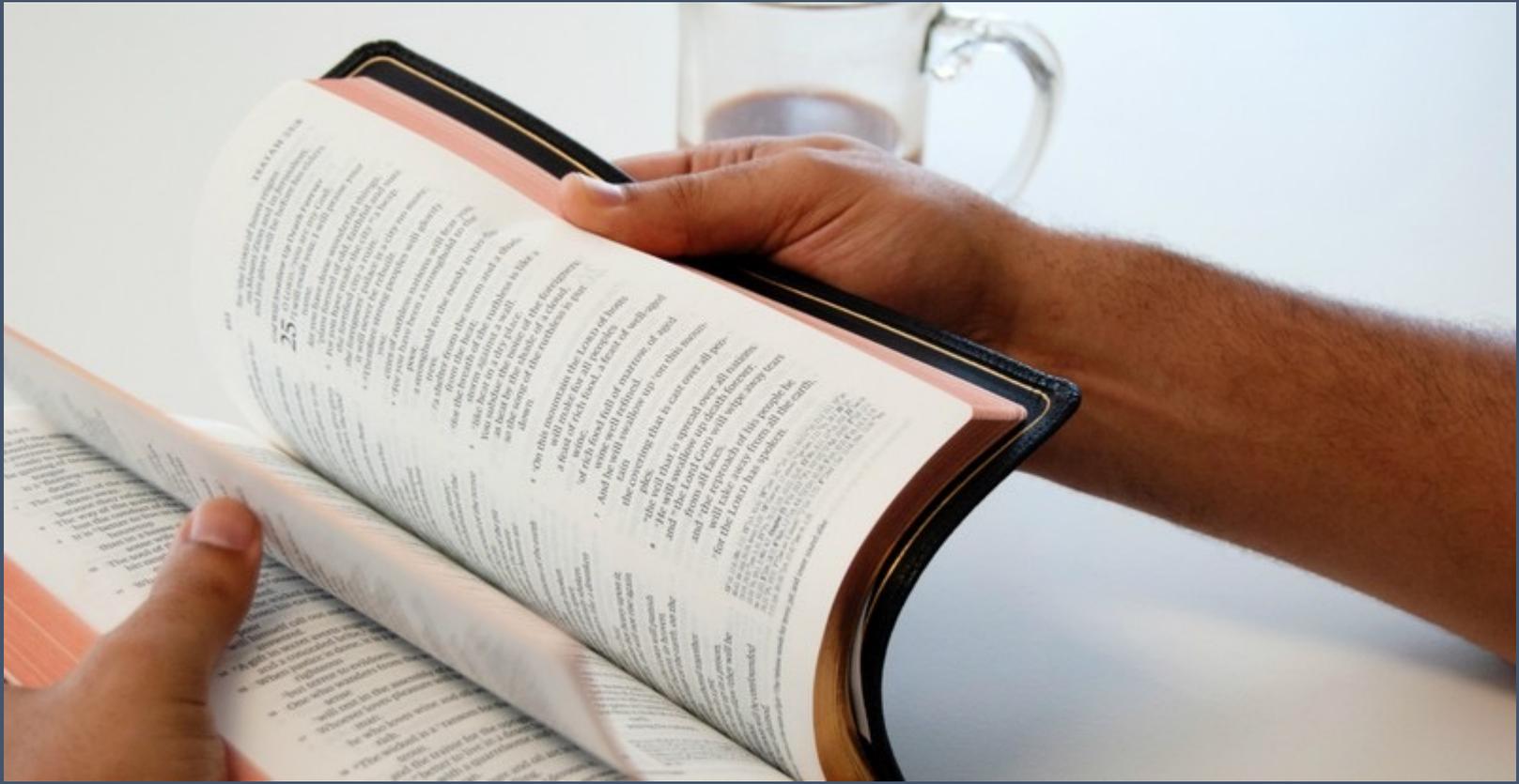
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What is Paul saying here?

Question?

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How does God view divorce?



Please turn to:  
Malachi 2: 14-16

## Malachi 2: 14-16 (NLT)

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*You cry out, “Why doesn’t the Lord accept my worship?” I’ll tell you why! Because the Lord witnessed the vows you and your wife made when you were young.*

## Malachi 2: 14-16 (NLT)

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*But you have been unfaithful to her, though she remained your faithful partner, the wife of your marriage vows.*

Malachi 2: 14-16 (NLT)

*Didn't the Lord make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are his. And what does he want? Godly children from your union. So guard your heart; remain loyal to the wife of your youth.*

Malachi 2: 14-16 (NLT)

**“For I hate divorce!” says the Lord, the God of Israel.** *“To divorce your wife is to overwhelm her with cruelty,” says the Lord of Heaven’s Armies. “So **guard your heart**; do not be unfaithful to your wife.”*

Question?

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Where does infidelity and  
divorce begin?