

# THE MARRIED & THE SINGLES

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**ARE YOU MARRIED? DO NOT SEEK TO BE DIVORCED,  
ARE YOU DIVORCED? SEEK NOT A WIFE.**

**“But As GOD Has DISTRIBUTED To Every Man, As The Lord Has Called Everyone, So Let Him Walk...”** 1 Cor 7:17.

In That Manner Of Life That GOD Has Apportioned You, Walk In It!

DISTRIBUTED: ‘merizo’= To Part, (literally) To Apportion, Bestow, Share (or figuratively) to Disunite, Differ: deal, be difference between.

**“Now Concerning Virgins (men) I Have No Commandment Of The Lord: Yet I Give My Judgment, As One Who Has Obtained Mercy Of The Lord, To Be Faithful.”**

1 Cor 7:25.

**“I Suppose Therefore, That It Is Good For The Present Distress, I Say That It Is Good For A Man So To BE.”** 7:26

We Need To Remember, That In Paul’s Day, Christians Were Constantly Being Seized, Persecuted, Crucified or killed in Some Brutal Roman Or Jewish fashion. Look at all the Nearly 6 Years Paul Spent In Some Measure Of Imprisonment, The Beatings, Torture, And Beheading Paul Suffered In The End.

So Paul Came To The Resolve, That For Himself, And Possibly Others Who Were Suffering The Distress Of Persecution, That It Was Better To Be Faithfully Single.

**“Are You Married? Seek Not A Divorce. Are You Divorced? Seek Not A Wife.”** 7:27

The World Does It Completely Back-

wards. They Divorce A Wife They Already Have, To Hotly Pursue Another Wife Instead

And Few Christians Consider That Just Maybe GOD Has An Alternative Plan For Those Who ARE Divorced By A Non-Believing Spouse.

You May Appear Different Now, Than When You Were Married. But That Difference Is Not A Bad Difference

GOD May Be Working Upon Your Individuality. Perhaps He Is Re- Fashioning You, Like Clay!

Some Of The Very Finest Christians, Are Single. Look At What The Apostle Paul Accomplished As Single.

Think About It! If Paul Had A Wife, Could She Have Kept Up With His Life And Calling? Would she be happy?

Paul Must Have Once Been Married, To Qualify As A Pharisee. Perhaps His Damascus Road Conversion Cost Him His Position As A Ruling Pharisee And Also His Wife, Who Did Not Wish To Follow After His New Faith.

**“But If You Marry You Have Not Sinned. And If A Virgin Mary She Has Not Sinned. Nevertheless Such Shall Have Trouble In The Flesh: But I Spare You.”** 7:28

Here, It’s Almost Like Paul Is Dealing With Some Hindrance To The Marriage Of Virgins. Even He Says Its Not A Sin For Them To Marry.

I Believe This Mindset Of Virgins Not Marrying, Goes Back To The Latin/Roman Goddess ‘Diana’ Who Was Worshipped For Her ‘Virginity’. And This ‘Virgin’ Goddess Looked After ‘Virgins’ And Women. Kinda like some do today.

Diana Was One Of Three Maiden Goddesses (Artemis, Athena, And Hestia) Who Swore Never To Marry.

And The Culture Of ‘Diana’ Worship Did It’s Best To Overshadow Christianity And It’s New Christian Freedoms For Virgins. And Paul Reminds The Corinthian Christians, That Contrary To ‘The Diana Cult Culture’, It Was Not A Sin For Virgin Women To Marry.

Still, If A Virgin Marries, She Will Have Pressure In Marriage, Getting Used To Being A Wife.

**“There Is A Difference Between Life As A Wife, And Life As A Virgin. The Unmarried Woman Cares For The Things Of The Lord, That She Might Be Holy Both In Body And In Spirit. But She That Is Married Cares For The Things Of The World, How She May Please Her Husband.”** 1 Cor 7:34.

So The Married Do Compromise Some Of Their Diligent Devotion To Christ, Due To Domestic Solitude, Attention And Concern .....