

MESSAGE STUDY NOTES: Jan 9, 2022

"The Beauty of Being Single" - The Big Story Series

Warm Up

For how many adult years have you been single? What was (is) that like for you?

Read

I Corinthians 7:1-40

Main Idea

What about singleness?

1. Singleness is good
2. Singleness is beneficial
3. Singleness can be satisfying

Singleness is sometimes caused by:

- a. Selfish spirit
- b. Inability to maintain friendships
- c. Hatred of opposite sex
- d. Worship of money
- e. Fear of marriage

UNHELPFULNESS OF THE CHURCH

"As soon as you're satisfied with God alone, he'll bring someone special into your life."

"You're too picky."

"Before you can marry someone wonderful, the Lord has to make you someone wonderful."

Questions for Discussion

1. What do you think is the greatest failure of the church toward singles? Why?
2. Why do you think singleness is often seen as a lesser option, contradicting scripture?

Application

What do you think we can do to make being single a desirable option for people? 3. Ask God to keep your eyes on the right things.