



1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up
Undivided Devotion
 1 Corinthians 7:25-40
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Introduction

**Supporting
Scripture**

1 Cor. 13

This present distress (25-31)

1 Cor. 4:11
 1 Cor. 7:17
 1 Cor. 4:14-15
 Jn. 1:12
 1 Cor. 7:31a

Undivided Devotion (32-35)

Doing Well, Doing Better (36-38)

1 Tim. 5:14

Only in the Lord (39-40)

How might our lives look in light of these realities?

The 1st Corinthians Question: How do we live as disciples of Jesus and function together as his Church in an overwhelmingly unbelieving world?

Navigating our present distress with a view that is fixed on eternity, we live with undivided devotion to the Lord. Single or married, we fulfill the call of God on our lives in every season he brings us to.

Next Week: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

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<p>1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up</p> <p>Undivided Devotion</p> <p>Growing together in a Greater Love -- Discipleship Guide</p>	<p>1 Cor. 7:25-40</p>
<p>Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with Prayer -ask Jesus to guide your time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> -read the text together. (1 Cor. 7:25-40)</p> <p><u>Discussion Guiding Questions:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Talk about the present distresses that we face in our world today. What unique challenges do those who remain single face? What unique challenges do the young married couple in today's culture face? 2. How does Paul's posture as a spiritual father to the people of God in Corinth, reveal itself in this passage? How does his wisdom sound fatherly? 3. Read verses 29-31 together again, what might it look like for us to live in the way that Paul describes in these verses? 4. How might a person who is married have their loyalties stretched? (vss.32-35) In view of potentially having divided devotion, what does Paul suggest as the better option (vs. 38)? 5. What wisdom does Paul present to those who have lost a spouse to death? <p><u>Questions towards Spiritual Growth & Discipleship:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text challenge you to grow in a greater love for God? 2. How are you motivated to grow in a greater love for others? 3. How might Jesus be motivating you apply some of the principles from this passage to your family, career, community, or church? 4. How might Jesus be using you to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. How will you pray for each other between now and next time you meet? 	<p><u>Supporting Scripture</u></p> <p>1 Cor. 13 1 Cor. 4:11 1 Cor. 7:17 1 Cor. 4:14-15 Jn. 1:12 1 Cor. 7:31a 1 Tim. 5:14</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>