

Series: 1 Corinthians

“Some Biblical Counsel Regarding Marriage and Divorce”

(Sunday Morning June 7th, 2026)

Passage: 1 Corinthians 7:8-16

Acts 16:31 “They said, ‘Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.’”

Rom 10:17 “So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.”

Acts 16:34 “And he brought them into his house and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, having believed in God with his whole household.”

Question = How many Christians do you need in a family to have a Christian family?

Answer = _____

I. Some Counsel for Christians Who are Not Currently Married

1) Those Who C _____ Accept This

1 Cor 7:3 “The husband must fulfill his duty to his wife, and likewise also the wife to her husband”

Paul did not ascribe to the idea that celibacy is more g _____ or v _____, but he also pointed out that there are some advantages to being single.

Rev 14:4 “These are the ones who have not been defiled with women, for they have kept themselves chaste...”

2) Those Who C _____ Accept This

a. Guard Your M _____

Phil 4:8 “Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.”

b. Set Your L _____

2 Cor 6:14 “Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness?”

c. Meet Other S _____

Gen 24:11 “He made the camels kneel down outside the city by the well of water at evening time, the time when women go out to draw water.”

II. Some Counsel for Christians Who are Married to Christians

1) Their First Option Was to S _____ M _____

Matt 19:9 "And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery."

This is why our Lord and the Apostle Paul both say that you should burn that ship; because listen, divorce is not the f _____ o _____; it is the l _____ r _____.

2) The Second Option Was to S _____ U _____

*Matt 19:7 "They *said to Him, 'Why then did Moses command to GIVE HER A CERTIFICATE OF DIVORCE AND SEND her AWAY?'"*

*Matt 19:8 "He *said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart Moses permitted you to divorce your wives; but from the beginning it has not been this way.'"*

Jesus went all the way back to *Genesis 2*, and He essentially said, "Wait a minute, God did not create Adam and Eve and E _____."

III. Some Counsel for Christians Who are Married to Non-Christians

1) Those Who are W _____ to S _____

I also believe this means that the Lord will tip the scales spiritually in your favor as a Christian regarding your c _____.

1 Pet 3:1-2 "1 In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, 2 as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior."

2) Those Who are W _____ to G _____

If the non-Christian spouse chooses to leave, Paul says that the Christian spouse is not to resist, and this also means that, after this has occurred, the believer will be f _____ to be r _____.

1 Sam 25:3 "(now the man's name was Nabal, and his wife's name was Abigail. And the woman was intelligent and beautiful in appearance, but the man was harsh and evil in his dealings, ...)"

*Matt 8:19-20 "19 Then a scribe came and said to Him, 'Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go.' 20 Jesus *said to him, 'The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.'"*