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# To Marry Or Not To Marry?

1Co 7:7-16



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## 1 Timothy 4:1–3

... in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to **deceitful spirits and teachings of demons**, through the insincerity of liars whose consciences are seared, **who forbid marriage ...**



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→ **God gives different gifts to different ones**



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**WHEN WILL YOU**



**GET MARRIED ?**

# BALANCING VIEWS ON SINGLENES AND MARRIAGE

The question God's concerned with isn't so much whether you're married or single but whether or not you're serving Him.

Singleness isn't a season  
to "endure" until marriage,  
but a season to serve God  
to the best of our ability.





WHAT IS THE PERFECT TIME TO  
*Get Married?*





What does the Bible say about *remarriage*  
after the death of your spouse?

## Romans 7:2-3



For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband. <sup>3</sup> So then if, while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man.

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Mark 10:11–12

And he said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”



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IT'S A LIFETIME  
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# CHOOSING A SPOUSE

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For how do you know, wife, whether you will save your husband? Or how do you know, husband, whether you **will save** your wife?



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1 Peter 3:1

Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands,  
so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be  
won without a word by the conduct of their wives,



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## 1 Corinthians 7:15

But if the unbelieving partner separates, let it be so.  
In such cases the brother or sister is not enslaved.  
God has called you to peace.



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