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You choose God's design for singleness by living in undivided devotion to Jesus

1. God intends your singleness to be laser-focused on Him and His mission

*1 Corinthians 7:28*

*1 Corinthians 7:32-35*

It is better to be single than to be married regarding one's ability to be undividedly devoted to Jesus and His mission.

*1 Corinthians 7:7*

2. Avoid approaching your singleness either selfishly or scornfully

*Galatians 5:13*

"When the thing you desire, even if it's good, exceeds your love for God, contentment vanishes and thriving is impossible. Though your desire for marriage is not sin, it becomes sin when you make it essential for your happiness. Nothing will drive the spirit of discontentment more than focusing so much on your desire and forgetting about God. Perhaps you've forgotten all about God's goodness and His perfect plan for your life. You've forgotten that God has given you singleness as a gift, and that you were meant to live abundantly no matter the circumstances you've found yourself in."

**Thrive: The Single Life as God Intended** by Lina AbuJamra

*Philippians 4:11-13*

3. Married couples need to be purposeful to include those living single

*Romans 12:13*

Move beyond feeling sympathy for the single people in your world to engaging them in action that demonstrates the intentionality and inclusion of God's love

### **Now What?**

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#### **SERIES BOOK RECOMMENDATION:**

*Thrive: The Single Life as God Intended*  
by Lina AbuJamra



Week of June 10  
Before & After Oneness

This is our final week of Home Group Notes for this season. We will resume having notes in September. You can still connect with groups through our online application at [www.trinityonline.org](http://www.trinityonline.org).



### **Share It**

What stands out to you from our “Oneness” series? How has this been helpful to you?



### **Study the Bible**

The focus this week is on how we’re intended to live before and after marriage.

What do we learn from the following passages on this topic.

1 Corinthians 7:7 (Note: The author, Paul, is single.)

1 Corinthians 7:25-35 (Note: “Virgins” means ‘unmarried women’ but further verses include unmarried men.)

How could 7:32 be a theme in all of our lives? What is the special challenge for those who are married (7:33-35)?



## **Discuss Together**

How can married couples be purposeful to include those living single?

How is the concern to “please the Lord” (1 Corinthians 7:32) made more difficult by our complicated world? Does marriage add to this challenge? How can we all be more “laser-focused on Him and His mission?”



## **Pray**

- For our teams in Dominican Republic and France
- For the people you in your world that you will see this summer
- For the impact of Trinity Kid’s camp June 25-29



## **Group Challenge**

Talk about how to stay connected through the summer.