

## **Modern Singleness**

**3.11.12**

**Reminder** - *Spend time discussing how your CG can get the word out about Easter. Post plans to the Community Group Leader group on the City.*

### **Remember**

What stood out to you from our gathering?

What did you learn about singleness that will be helpful?

How were you confronted with your own need to trust God's plan for your life?

### **Deepen**

What are some of the lies about marriage that affect us regardless of our marital status?

Brian said that we can see and savor God's glory in marriage and singleness. What are some ways God's glory can be seen in the life of a single person who is walking with Jesus?

- Contentment
- Service in Ministry
- Greater usefulness to the kingdom

How can we encourage one another to live lives that glorify God more and more?

### **Read 1 Corinthians 7:17**

What's hard about living in light of this verse? What are some truths we must believe if we are to live in light of this command?

Read the following verses and discuss how they help us live the life God has for us.

- Psalm 23:6
- Psalm 73:25-28
- Psalm 100

What are some areas of your life that call for a trust in the goodness of God?

### **Transform**

We are so prone to see something other than God as our deliverance. Some see marriage as our hope. Others think (regardless of marital status) that freedom is where hope lies. Trusting in anything other than Jesus as our hope is the essence of idolatry.

Keller observes,

Marriage and celibacy can be idolatrous. Spouses can worship each other or worship sex or worship their children or worship double-income-no-kid buying power. Singles can worship autonomy and independence.

How have you experienced this kind of idolatry in your life?

What false gods are you tempted to run to for deliverance?

The Church is called the family of God...a people of brothers and sisters who all share the same Father and Big Brother. How did the sermon change the way you view the church as the family of God?

How can our church do a better job of living out this reality of family?