



God's Heart for the Family: Marriage, Singleness and Children in the Kingdom

Matthew 19:1 - 15

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Introduction

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1. God's Heart for Marriage →

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¹When Jesus had finished saying these things, he left Galilee and went into the region of Judea to the other side of the Jordan. ²Large crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

³Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?”

⁴“Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them **male and female**,’^[a] ⁵and said,

‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’^[b]?

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⁶ So they are no longer two, but **one flesh**. Therefore **what God has joined together, let no one separate.**”

⁷ “Why then,” they asked, “did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away?”

⁸ Jesus replied, “Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning.” ⁹ I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery.”

2. God's Heart for Singles—————→

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¹⁰ The disciples said to him, “If this is the situation between a husband and wife, it is better not to marry.” ¹¹ Jesus replied, “Not everyone can accept this word, but only those to whom it has been given. ¹² For there are eunuchs who were born that way, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by others—and there are those who **choose to live like eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven.**

The one who can accept this should accept it.”

Marriage and Singleness →

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Both Marriage and Singleness have kingdom purposes.

In marriage,
to love our spouse and family sacrificially as Christ loves you.

In singleness,
To a life of devotion of service to God.

3. God's Heart for Children _____→

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¹³ Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them.

¹⁴ Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ¹⁵ When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there.

Childlike Faith

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Dependence

Trust

Humility



Conclusion

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Marriage to be lifelong.

Singleness for the sake of His Kingdom.

Children are part of God's family

Reflection _____→

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What is God saying to you about your marriage?

What is God saying to you in your singleness?

What is God saying to you about children — in your home, or in this church family?

Are you being called to trust Him more deeply
— like a child?