



## **Sexual Desire**

Series: *First Corinthians* 1 Corinthians 7:1-9

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### ***What questions is Paul answering?***

1 Corinthians 7:1-9; Song of Solomon 4-8; Proverbs 5:15-23

### ***What Paul says about being single...***

- 1) Being single is not just good, it's **better**
- 2) Being single is not for **everyone**
- 3) The key to staying pure sexually is regular **intimacy** in marriage

### ***What this text is saying...***

1 Corinthians 7:1-9; Genesis 1:27-31; 2:24-25

- 1) Both singleness and marriage are **gifts**
- 2) You have to have **intimacy** in marriage
- 3) If you refuse intimacy, you are **cheating** the marriage

### ***What this text is NOT saying...***

1 Corinthians 7:1-9; Ephesians 5:21

- 1) Get married just for **sex**
- 2) My desires are more important than my spouse's **comfort**
- 3) **All** singleness is a gift
- 4) Marriages that don't have **sex** are dead

### ***A few things to help you deal with this text...***

- 1) Whatever your gift is, God will give you what you **need**
- 2) Submission is **mutual**
- 3) Uncommunicated **expectations** will not be met