



Mission Accomplished- COMPLETED

Mission Marriage~ 1 Corinthians 7:26-31

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Questions for the Community

What does the Bible say? (goal: go slow, notice the text, let God speak for Himself in the words of His book)

1. God designs us on purpose. Read 2 Thessalonians 3:6–13. What contrast does Paul draw between idleness and faithful work?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 7:26–32. What reasons does Paul give for holding marriage, possessions, joys, and sorrows with an eternal perspective? What special power is available to those who are NOT married?
3. According to Matthew 22:23–30, what does Jesus teach about marriage and the resurrection? Why did the Pharisees miss his point?
4. Read Psalm 37:3–6. What actions are God's people called to take and what does God promise to do?
5. What do Ecclesiastes 7:8, Galatians 6:9, and Luke 21:19 teach about finishing well, persevering, and continuing to do good?

What does it mean? (goal: get to the heart of the text by understanding what Paul is teaching then and how it relates to now)

6. Paul says, "The present form of this world is passing away"? How should that truth shape the way Christians view marriage?
7. 1 Corinthians 7:29 says that those who have spouses should live "as though they had none." In context, what does this mean—and what does it not mean?
8. The sermon identifies three areas of a married couple's mission. Review and discuss. What is distinct about each area?
9. How can a faithful marriage display God's grace, covenant love, and faithfulness to each other as well as other people?
10. What do the examples of Priscilla & Aquila and of Zechariah & Elizabeth teach about God using a couple's work, home, hardships, gifts, and shared experiences?

What do I do? (goal: move from understanding to faithful, obedient lived response; this is sometimes plain and sometimes requires listening in prayer)

11. Where are idleness, distraction, or excessive concern with personal happiness keeping you from the good work God has given you?
12. If you are married, which biblical "one another" command most needs your attention at home? If you are unmarried, who is God calling you to serve faithfully?
13. How could your home, daily work, school, or neighborhood become a more intentional setting for God's mission?
14. What unique combination of relationships, experiences, gifts, resources, and opportunities has God entrusted to you—or to you and your spouse?
15. What would finishing your present mission faithfully look like? What is one action you can take this week as you rely on God's faithfulness?