



CONNECT GROUP GUIDE

Connect Group Guide: WK 9 CHURCH GONE WILD: “Marriage, Singles, & In Between”

Read 1 Corinthians 7

1. Sex, marriage, and singleness are all described as gifts from God. Why are we so prone to turn God’s good gifts into “gods”? What are some signs that a good desire has become an ultimate desire—something we believe we need in order to be happy, secure, or complete?
2. Paul teaches that marriage involves giving ourselves to one another rather than living for ourselves (1 Corinthians 7:3–5). How does this picture the gospel? How does Jesus’ sacrificial love for us change the way a husband and wife should love, serve, forgive, and pursue one another?
3. Our culture often treats singleness as something to escape, while Paul calls it a gift that can allow for “undivided devotion to the Lord” (1 Corinthians 7:35). How should the gospel change the way the church views and loves single people? For those who are single, what could it look like to use this season intentionally for Christ rather than simply waiting for the next season?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 7:17 and 24. Why do we often believe we could serve Jesus better—or finally be content—if our circumstances changed? Finish this sentence honestly: “I would be happier/content/closer to God if only _____.” How might Jesus be calling you to faithfully follow Him right where you are?
5. The sermon says, “Your relationship status does not determine your worth. Your sexual history does not determine your worth. Jesus does.” How does the gospel speak to someone carrying regret, shame, rejection, divorce, loneliness, or sexual brokenness? How does being “bought with a price” (1 Corinthians 7:23) give us both a new identity and a new way to live?
6. Marriage can become an idol. Sex can become an idol. Even the desire to be married can become an idol. How can we tell when we are asking one of God’s gifts to give us something only Jesus can provide? What are you currently tempted to look to for identity, satisfaction, security, or purpose instead of Christ?
7. The sermon ends with the question: “Is Jesus enough?” What does it actually mean—not just theoretically, but practically—to say that Jesus is enough? If you truly believed Christ was enough for you today, what would change about the way you approach your marriage, singleness, relationships, sexuality, loneliness, or current season?

Closing Question-Going Deeper

1. What is one gift you need to stop worshiping, one circumstance you need to stop waiting to change, or one area you need to surrender to Jesus this week?

Final Truth: The gifts are good, but they were always meant to lead us back to the Giver.

