

# Managing Marriage: Redeemed to Remain

## I Corinthians 7:17-24

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**01** We are offered...  
**1 PRINCIPLE** - Repeated in v.17, 20, & 24  
“Abiding” in marriage or any other position in life is a part of a bigger principle. John 15:4

**02** We are offered...  
**2 Illustrations**  
1. Religious: Circumcision  
Romans 2:28-29, Galatians 6:14-15  
2. Social: Bondservants

### Rebelling In...

#### Marriage

“I want a divorce and/or a different spouse...I’m not happy anymore”

#### Singleness

“I hate being single, I want to be with someone and until I am I don’t think I’ll feel complete, loved, and valued.”

#### Your Job

“I don’t like my job and I can’t stand going to work. I don’t like the people I work for, and I do it only because I love my family and I need money to support them. I’m counting the days until I find a better career!”

#### Your Finances

“I want and need more money. I’m convinced that most of my headaches would disappear if I could just achieve a measure of wealth that others seem to have. Until then, I’ll just enjoy what I can today and pay for it later.”

#### Your Home

“I can’t wait to get out of this dorm, apartment, mobile home, or neighborhood. I want more, bigger, better, and newer. My neighbors are annoying, and I get tired of seeing others around me living in much nicer homes.”

**There is power in being fully present.**

**03** We are offered...  
**3 Lessons**  
1. Remain Content with His Control  
2. Remain Committed to His Commandments  
3. Remain Concerned with His Call

*“All of life is God’s.  
We should serve God where we  
are until He calls us elsewhere.”*

### Rebelling In...

#### Marriage

“I praise God for the person He’s given but I want a different marriage where we are stronger together and more devoted to one another and Christ”

#### Singleness

“While I desire marriage, I trust God’s timing and provision. The best thing I can do to prepare for a future relationship is to flourish now in Christ.”

#### Your Job

“I’m grateful for my job and the ability to work. I want to be a blessing to my employer and the people I serve so that if a new opportunity comes, I’m most prepared because I’ve been faithful in my current role.”

#### Your Finances

“Everything I own and the money I earn are gifts from God. He knows my needs and even my wants. Sure, there are some things I’d like to do financially, but my first commitment is to grow more generous should more wealth come into my life.”

#### Your Home

“There are 7.5 billion people in the world and God could’ve placed anyone he wanted to on my street, in my neighborhood, or in my community but He put me here. The people I live and work beside are the most important reason I am where I am. I may not live here forever, but as long as God has me here, the people here will be a greater priority than my future dreams.”