

- **Look to Christ Who Strengthens You!**

- *You are not dependent upon conditions (Phil 4:10-12)*
- *His Example of serving others (Mark 10:43-45; James 4:1-6).*
- *To build redemptive relationships (Eph 4:11-16).*
- *To find wisdom to balance time, money, work (Eccel 3:1-15).*
- *And trust that the Father's plan is best and the situations in which you find yourself right now has purpose (Rom 8:28).*
- *Have patience, as you continue to wait on God (Heb 6:12).*
- *Live in light of the Father's will being done (Matt 6:11).*
- *You have a loving heavenly Father who is concerned for you (Matt 7:11; 10:30).*
- *God uses circumstances and conditions to make me more and more like Jesus (James 1:2-4)*
- *What matters most in this life is your relationship with Him (Phil 3:8).*
- *This life will pass, and nothing can rob you of the hope that will ultimately await you in Christ (Rom 8:35-39; Pet 1:6-7).*

Questions, concerns, feedback or comments?

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#5 CONTENTMENT

The Word & Everything Else

- _____ is the most powerful force in the universe. (Genesis 1)
- Center your life on God's Word.
- God-replacements - anything in our life that becomes _____
_____ than God (Exodus 20:3).
- What are most tempting God-replacements of the single life?
independence time & money your job sex
travel & adventure children marriage me

Application 1: Desire for Marriage

- (1) Write out the _____ that turn a good thing into a God-thing.

- (2) Confess the _____ that should be a good and godly desires.
- (3) Don't revolve your life around what is _____ and not guaranteed, but what is certain and sure.

Application 2: Loneliness

The lies about loneliness in the single life:

- There must be something _____ with me if I am still alone
- God must not _____ for me if he has left me alone OR God is far away
- No one _____ how I feel nor cares to understand OR Nobody else seems to feel alone
- I will _____ be alone
- Because I can't help feeling lonely, I'm not responsible for it; therefore, I get to _____ about it
- If I had a husband or a wife then I wouldn't feel alone, because I have someone share my life and burdens
- Being alone is always a _____ thing

How does God speak to us about our loneliness?

- *"The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged" (Deut 31:8).*
- *"Fear not for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold your with my righteous hand" (41:10).*
- *"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble" (Ps 46:1).*
- *"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you." John 14:18*
- *"Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God" (Rev 21:5).*

Confess the self-centered demand that should be good and godly desires.

Revolve your life what is certain and sure...instead of what is uncertain.

Living it Out: Contentment

- What it is not...
- What it is...
- What does contentment look like for a single Christian?