

Singleness  
and in the  
waiting

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Introduction:

I wrote this book to address topics on singleness, dating, relationships, and marriage from a biblical perspective. In this world we live in, it can be so tempting to want to just settle for the wrong person out of loneliness and desperation. Many men and women settle for a relationship outside of God's will. In this book, I talk about why singleness and marriage are a gift and blessing from God. In this book, I also talk about the importance of waiting on God for the right marriage partner and not settling.

In this book, I also talk about counterfeit and unequally yoked relationships. In addition, I talk about keeping your purity and abstaining from sex outside of marriage. I also talk about the sins of fornication, masturbation, and pornography. I talk about keeping our minds and thoughts pure as well.

Furthermore, I talk about how to prepare for marriage and become the godly husband or wife that God has called you to be. I talk about how marriage is a calling, and it comes with a purpose. I talk about whether God allows married couples to divorce and remarry. Is divorce and remarriage part of God's will and plan? If you are interested in reading this book, then stay tuned for more.

# Chapter 1: Singleness and why it is a gift from God

Singleness is a gift and blessing from God that we take for granted, and the same is true of marriage. When

you are single, you can focus on the Lord, serving him, and doing his will. When you get married, your focus changes to pleasing your spouse and children, not just God alone. Paul said in 1 Corinthians 7:8, "I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I." Paul also said in 1 Corinthians 7:35, "And this I speak for your own profit; not that I may cast a snare upon you, but for that which is comely, and that ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction."

Singleness is a gift from God because it allows you to be focused on one goal in mind, which is to glorify Christ. When you are single, you can get to know your Creator and develop a personal relationship with him. When you are single, you can also serve your purpose on earth and fulfill your destiny. In addition to being single, you can focus on using your gifts and talents to advance God's kingdom on earth. Also, when single, you can also focus on bettering yourself and becoming the godly man or woman that God has called you to be.

After you get out of a relationship, you need to heal from that relationship before you can move on. You may also need to be delivered from soul ties,

generational curses, addictions, trauma, or abuse. Before you move on to another relationship or marriage, you may need to ask God to heal and deliver you from your past and from past relationships. Don't just jump into another relationship without first allowing God to heal and deliver you. You do not want to take the baggage from one relationship to the next. You want God to work on those areas of your life that need restoration before moving on.

Generational curses are passed down from generation to generation. If addiction, sickness, disease, or divorce were in your family's bloodline, they may be passed down from one generation to another. So you may need to break those curses off of your life or family bloodline. A soul tie is a deep, spiritual, and emotional connection between two people. This connection can even be sexual if the two people have had intimate relations.

Soul ties can be good, but they can also be bad if they are with people who are destructive or toxic. That is when we need to break free from these toxic or abusive relationships and receive our healing. An addiction is the same as substance abuse. An addiction is the

inability to stop using a substance and engaging in destructive habits or behaviors.

A tip to help with getting healing and deliverance is to write down on paper the things you need healing and deliverance from. Write down on paper all the generational curses that your family struggled with that you know of. Then, write down any soul ties, people you were or are deeply connected with, and sexual partners too. Then, bring them before God. Bind, rebuke, and cast out all the generational curses that run in your family.

Then, break any addictions and soul ties that you struggle with currently or in the past. Ask God to deliver you and set you free from any addictions. Ask the Lord to help you not go back to those addictions once you are delivered from them. Ask God to take away the desire or any withdrawals that you have for the addiction. Ask God to remove the people, places, or things that are associated with that sin or addiction.

You may still be tempted by your flesh and the devil to give back into that sin or addiction. But that is when we need to ask God to help us and give us the strength to

overcome the sins and addictions that we are struggling with. We may even need to couple fasting with prayer to overcome sin and addiction. When we fast, we are more likely to overcome the flesh because fasting weakens the flesh and strengthens the Spirit.

If you are struggling with a health-related issue, such as a disease or sickness, you can ask the Lord to heal you and then believe you are healed. We may keep asking God to heal us, and we are already healed even though the symptoms are still there. We just have to believe that our body is already healed, even though it has not yet manifested in the physical realm. Our healing has already manifested in the spiritual realm.

When you ask God to heal you, believe that it is already done, even though you do not see the results yet. The healing may take time, and that's okay, but keep confessing and believing God that you are healed. Keep speaking life over your body and over your situation until you see something happen. Romans 4:17 says, "As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations, before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were."

God still does miracles today. Miracles are not a thing of the past. If he parted the Red Sea for the Israelites, he could change your situation too. Your faith is what moves mountains, just like the woman with the blood issue. She believed that she could be healed by coming to Jesus Christ and touching the hem of his garment, and she got healed. Believe God for the impossible in your life because nothing is too big or great for Him to do. He is more than able!

Luke 8:43-48, says, "And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanch'd. And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me. And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed

immediately. And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.”

I am not saying that you should not go to the doctor for medication. I also believe that God can use both doctors and medicine to heal. But overall, Jesus Christ is our ultimate healer and restorer. He is the one who makes all things new. So if you really need healing, go to God and His word. Write down healing scriptures on note cards and confess them out loud over yourself, your body, your mind, and your life. This is what has helped me get healed in the past.

One day, I was confessing a healing scripture out loud, and I had a cut on my skin that was itching. That was the Lord healing the cut. When a cut starts itching, that is when it is healing. The word of God is our healing medicine for the sick, the lost, and the broken. Isaiah 53:5 says, “But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.” Psalm 147:3 says, “He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.”



# Chapter 2: Why people do not want to be single

There are many people out there who do not want to be or stay single. They jump around from one relationship to another. Many people do not like being alone or lonely. Many think that a relationship or a marriage is

what is going to fix their problems. Many think that a relationship or marriage is what is going to make them happy. But the truth in the matter is that only Jesus Christ can satisfy us and give us what we need, which is him above all.

There are so many people in this world who cannot go long periods of time without being in a relationship. Then, when that relationship no longer serves them, they move on to another relationship. It is an ongoing cycle. The reason the person moves from one relationship to the next is because of their childhood upbringing. The person might not have had a big support system growing up. The parents might have abandoned the child when they were young, leaving them to fend for themselves.

The child might not have grown up with a mother or father or might not have had God in their life. This can explain why the person goes from one relationship to another. That person craves the love and affection that they so yearned for as a child. Because this person did not get love, affection, or attention from their parents growing up, that person looks for it in a man, a woman, or a relationship. That is the reason why people cannot

stand to be single or alone for very long. God wants us to learn to be content singles. When we are content being single, then He can send the spouse that He has for us at the right time.

So many people settle for the wrong person or relationship that is outside of God's will because of loneliness and desperation. Many do not want to wait on the spouse that God has destined for them. If God has called you to marriage, he has a spouse for you. You just need to be willing to wait on him and his timing to meet that spouse if you have not already.

Allow God to work on your heart, preparing you for the one that he has destined for you. Allow God to heal and restore you. The Lord Jesus Christ wants to heal and deliver you from past relationships, soul ties, addictions, generational curses, brokenness, trauma, or abuse. You may struggle with a disease, sickness, or a mental health issue. These are all things that God wants to heal and deliver us from. Some mental health issues are a result of spiritual issues that stem from childhood or adulthood.

You may struggle with depression, fear, anxiety, or PTSD, and that could be a result of childhood trauma or abuse. There could also be another factor for anxiety or depression. For example, a person might have lost a loved one, a job, or a house. As a result of that, the person is sad, depressed, or hopeless. God wants to heal you and deliver you completely from that mental health issue. But it starts with getting to the root cause. Once you find out the reason for the mental health crisis or issue, then you can address the issue at its core. If a person loses a loved one, that person may be grieving and may be going through sadness and depression. Therefore, that person may need healing in that area. That person may need help coping with the loss.

The Lord Jesus Christ wants to give us His joy, hope, and peace that come from him and not this world. Many go to drugs, alcohol, food, or sex to give them a temporary high or a quick fix. I know I have been there before, too. But only Jesus Christ can fix the problem. Only He can offer true deliverance, healing, freedom, and salvation to those who are lost, hurt, and broken.

A child may have experienced rejection from parents or relatives. So now that the child has grown into an adult, that person is afraid of hurting people. Therefore, the person may try to please people because of the rejection growing up as a child. If a parent is hard on a child growing up, that child may feel as though they are not worthy or good enough. That child may always strive for perfection. That child or adult may believe that they cannot accomplish anything good in life because of rejection or trauma. That adult may go through self-rejection because of being rejected by parents, relatives, or friends.

That is where a grown adult who is struggling with mental health issues may need to get down to the root cause of the issue. That root cause may stem from childhood or from a different circumstance. Another example of a person struggling with trauma could be because of a car accident or because of sexual abuse. That person may suffer from severe PTSD, anxiety, or stress because of the car accident. That person may need healing from that trauma as well.

The person who has struggled with sexual abuse may struggle with sexual problems such as same sex-attraction, or that person may not be open to sex

with a married partner. Some people who have been in situations where there was sexual assault may be more likely to assault others because of the sexual influence and trauma in their lives.

That is where there may be deep wounds that need healing and deliverance. These wounds can be physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, or sexual. These wounds can grow and fester in other areas of one's life if not dealt with right away. So this person may need to seek counsel and guidance from the Holy Spirit on the areas that need healing and deliverance. The Holy Spirit will reveal those areas to that person. The Holy Spirit will show that person if there are any triggers. The triggers are caused by trauma or abuse. When you can spot the triggers, that is when you are able to get down to the root of the issue. Then, that person can get the healing and deliverance that are needed from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Getting the healing and deliverance we need is a work of the Holy Spirit in our hearts and lives. Only he can transform us from the inside out. The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 3:17, "Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." If you

have the Holy Spirit living within you, you can be saved, healed, delivered, and set free.

It is God's will for us to be saved, healed, delivered, and made whole, but not everyone will be because they do not confess and believe. Romans 10:9-10 says, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Confessing and believing is not just about salvation but also about getting healed and delivered. Healing and deliverance are part of the salvation package. When you are struggling with something, you will ask God to heal and deliver you. Then, after that, you believe that you are already healed and delivered, so you will confess it with your mouth until it manifests in the physical realm. What helps is speaking the word of God in confessions and declarations about your health until you see the manifestation of those promises.



# Chapter 3: Friendships, Relationships and Loneliness

If you are a Christian or a believer, you will go through seasons of loneliness and isolation. There may be times when the Lord will have you walk away from certain people in your life because of toxicity, negativity, or gossip. The Lord may have you unfriend or block certain people in your life so that you do not partake in their sins. Also, God will have you walk away from certain people so that you can focus on him and the assignment he has for you to do in this season. The Lord does not want you to get distracted by the wrong people.

There may be times when Christians suffer persecution from others because of their faith. There may be people who walk out on them because of the gospel truth that is preached. The gospel offends people. The Christian will feel isolated or alone because the friends and family members that were in their life left or abandoned them due to their faith. Persecution is part of walking the straight and narrow path with Christ. 2 Timothy 3:12 says, "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution."

You may feel alone or lonely because a friend or family member left you because of your faith in Christ. Don't go chasing after that person or people; let them go.

God will remove certain people from our lives for a reason and purpose. We may be attached to these people and want to keep them in our lives because we love them. We may have an unhealthy attachment to these people. We still want them in our lives, even after they have done us wrong. We still continue to put up with the hurt, the pain, and the betrayal. God will allow these people to keep hurting us until we have chosen to let them go. The Lord wants to send new people that are from him, but he won't until the old are released.

These people we are holding on to may be very close to us. We want to keep them in our lives because they have become familiar and have been around since childhood. If God removes certain people from our lives, He will replace them with better people who will add to our lives and not take away. He knows better than we do. He knows what we need and who we need in our lives. We just need to trust his perfect will, plan, and purpose.

The Christian life can cause discontentment because of being single for so long. A Christian may have this desire or urge for God to bring them a spouse— not just

any spouse, but the one that He has picked out for them. That Christian may start to get impatient with God. That Christian may start looking for a spouse in all the wrong places because of impatience. That is why so many Christians settle for counterfeits outside of God's will. They did not want to wait on God and his timing for their lives.

Many do not like the feeling of being alone or lonely. They would much rather be around the wrong people or negative influences. These negative influences may have a negative impact on these Christians. A Christian may be alone or lonely, so that person will want to fill their time with the wrong people or friends. That Christian will go back to the people of their past before they came to Christ. A Christian will go back to their old ways or old thinking because of the people they are with. A Christian may start hanging around the wrong people and pick up on past bad habits such as drinking, smoking, cussing, or gossip because of loneliness and discontentment.

When you are a Christian, you will be willing to let go of the wrong people if God is leading you to do so. You do

not want to be unequally yoked by surrounding yourself with unbelievers unless you are evangelizing or witnessing to them. But to hang out and be friends with unbelievers can cause you to be unequally yoked along with them. 2 Corinthians 6:14 says, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" The Bible also says in 1 Corinthians 15:33, "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners."

So we become like those we surround ourselves with. If we surround ourselves with like-minded faith believers, then we will start to reflect Christ in our thoughts, words, and actions. But if we hang around unbelievers, then we will start to become like the world, or worldly. Ask God to remove the wrong people from your life that he does not want to be in your life. When you do that, you watch people walk out. People will start leaving your life like flies. Ask the Lord also to send in the right people that are sent from him, and that will help you grow closer to Jesus Christ and carry out his mission on earth.

The enemy will try to stop people from coming into your life that God wants to come into. He will try to set roadblocks, distractions, or hindrances to get people to not come into your life who are God-sent. That is when we need to pray and ask God to remove those blockages and hindrances that are stopping and holding back the right people from entering our lives. Sometimes, it is just not time for the right people to come into our lives because we still have not let the old people go. So God cannot bless us with the new until we have let the old go.

The reason we have not let the old go is because we are so accustomed to the old and the old people, the old mindsets, and the old habits. We have become attached to the old people and things, and we have a problem letting the old go because of loneliness and discontentment. We fear being alone, lonely, and isolated. We would rather surround ourselves with the old because that is where we are most comfortable. But the old things and people cannot go where God wants to take us in the new. We hold onto the old because we love those things and people.

Sometimes, when you are a follower of Christ, you may need to be willing to make sacrifices that you do not want to make. Those sacrifices may be hard or difficult. But once you have, you will be most glad that you did. Because those sacrifices will lead to your obedience. Also, those sacrifices will lead to your breakthrough. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." When you let the old go, you allow for the new to come in.

The spouse that you have been waiting for may be taking a long time because God is still preparing you and that spouse for you both to come together at the right time. Don't be in a rush to get married. Enjoy your singleness season. When you are married, you have more distractions. You are focused on pleasing your husband or wife and not just God. You may even have children that you need to tend to. So marriage comes with more responsibility and more sacrifice. When you get married, you literally have to lay down your life for the other person or people. You are not just thinking of yourself; but you are also thinking of God, your spouse, and children.

Waiting on God to send you your spouse may teach you patience, endurance, and perseverance. You will be willing to wait for as long as needed. You will not want to settle when you are a Christian and you know your worth and value. You will not look to a spouse to define you; but you will look to your Almighty Creator, Jesus Christ. When you wait on the Lord, you allow patience to have a chance to grow and develop within you. Patience is a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Galatians 5:22-23 says, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."

Patience, or long-suffering, is needed to enter the kingdom of heaven. It may not always be easy to be patient. Sometimes, our patience is stretched thin, and we may want that spouse right away. But we may need to wait on God and his timing. Allow the Lord to remove anything in you and in your life that needs to be removed. Allow him to purify you of any sin, addiction, or bad habits. You do not want to take those things with you into your marriage. If you do, then that marriage may fall apart. You want God to heal and

deliver you so that you can be ready when that spouse and marriage come at the right time.

Furthermore, waiting on God for a spouse develops trust. When we are waiting, we are also showing that we have faith or trust in Jesus Christ and his timing. Instead of wanting things in our own timing. Isaiah 55:8-9 says, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." We may not get that spouse, marriage, or children right when we want them. But we can be certain that if it is God's will for us to have these things, he will open the door when he sees it is the right time.

When we are waiting on God, we are also trusting that the Lord is going to come through at the perfect time. We trust that God has the right spouse for us, so we do not need to settle for mediocrity. When we wait on God, we can trust that he will take care of our needs. He will provide, maybe not what we want but what we need. So we can trust that God may not provide the spouse that we want or look for, but the spouse that we need. We

may look for certain qualities in a spouse, and God knows how to meet those qualities according to his will.

The Lord wants us to include him in every decision that we make, from the little to the big. The Lord wants to be the one who chooses our friends, spouses, and who we marry. We cannot choose our family. That was already destined from the beginning. God had already chosen who our family would be when we were born. But as we get older, we begin to ask God to help us choose who should stay or not stay in our lives. He will start to remove certain people from your life as you get older and you begin to seek the Lord more for guidance and instruction. Then, it is up to us to follow through with what he tells us to do.

The Lord may have you let certain people go because their time in our lives is up. They have already fulfilled God's plan and purpose in our lives. God has a purpose for everyone who comes into our lives. Some people come into our lives temporarily or for a season, and others for a lifetime. We just need to trust God with our friendships and relationships. He knows who belongs

in our lives and who does not. He will purposefully remove people from our lives if we do not remove ourselves from those people.

That is the reason why many are discontent, because many do not want to be alone or lonely. So they will settle for friendships and relationships outside of God's will. The Lord knows the motives behind people and what their true intent is in your life. He knows if the people in your life have a hidden motive or agenda. God knows if that person or people are going to use, abuse, or take advantage of you and your kindness.

You may be one of the most loving people, and people see that as a weakness. So they will try to steal from you and use you because of your kind and generous heart. You will give into that person time and time again because you fear them. But when you fear God, you will not allow that person to walk all over you. You will be willing to say no to that person or people. You will be willing to say goodbye to that person if the Lord leads you to do so. John 10:10 says, "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come

that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.”

# Chapter 4:

## What you should do in the waiting

Maybe you just got out of a relationship and you do not know what is the next step to take. You may be contemplating getting into another relationship. You may also be thinking about reverting back to old friends or friendships from your past. Maybe you are thinking about getting on a dating website. You may not know how to cope with the loss of a previous friendship or relationship. So you try to fill the void with other things, such as old friends, drugs, alcohol, sex, food, and the list goes on.

You do not know how to handle your problems, so you go to other things for a quick and easy fix. None of these things can truly satisfy us. We will just keep going back for more. But Jesus Christ can fill that empty void inside that the world cannot. He can heal and deliver us from our past, sins, and addictions. But we need to be willing to go to him to get the help that we need.

Before you go to the world, I want to encourage you to consult the Lord. Ask him to show you what his will is for your life. Ask him to remove the wrong people from your life and to send in the right people. Ask the Lord to

heal and deliver you from your past sins, hurt, pain, brokenness, and addiction. We may have wounds on our hearts and souls from childhood trauma that need healing and deliverance. If we don't get healed and delivered, we may go to the things in the world because of the trauma we experienced growing up. The trauma and abuse left us broken and bruised. The trauma we experienced as children may have left scars on our hearts and minds.

So many do not know how to deal with the effects of trauma and abuse, so instead of going to God and asking him for help, they revert back to their old ways or to the things in this world. Many have experienced depression, anxiety, grief, and sadness throughout their lifetime and have gone to the world instead of Jesus Christ to fill the emptiness and the void that only he can fill.

As for dating, ask the Lord if you should be dating and in a relationship in this season of your life. Ask him what his will is for your life. Ask him to show you your calling and purpose and what he is leading you to do in this season. The Lord will speak to you through his

word and through a still small voice. Be still in his presence, and you will be able to hear his voice speak to you. Psalm 46:10 says, "Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth." Psalm 119:105 says, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

The Lord wants to lead and guide you and give you wisdom and instruction in your life. But we need to be willing to ask him and seek him for the answers we need. James 1:5-6 says, "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed."

God will show you if there are any relationships he wants you to let go of and move on from. What the Lord wants for your life may not be what you want or expect. But it is what you need at the moment. God may tell you to wait to get married or to wait to be in that relationship. He may tell you now is not the time and to wait on him and his timing. We just need to trust in him. He knows what you need and when you need it.

The Lord may have you work on an assignment that he has for you to complete. It may be a ministry or business assignment. He may want you to write a book that he has put in your heart. He may want you to start that YouTube channel and upload videos weekly. He may want you to go back to school. God may put an idea in your heart and want you to work on it. We, as believers, are called to create. We are called to create things using the gifts and talents the Lord has given us so we can bring souls into the kingdom of God.

We all have at least one gift or talent that we can use to steward God's kingdom on earth. When we are faithful to the little that God has given us, he can trust us with more. He will then multiply our gifts and talents. God will give us more to steward because we were faithful with the little he gave us. Matthew 25:21 says, "His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord." Luke 16:10 says, "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much."

You may have a gift to write a book, to teach a Bible study, to evangelize to a lost soul, or to encourage a person who is down and out. Whatever it is, use it to glorify God. We are here to be a blessing to others. God has called and equipped us to be the light in this dark world. We are called to share the gospel wherever we go and to encourage others as well. So many are lost in this world and are headed for hell and destruction. Many are still in their sins and without Christ. We are called to tell people the truth and how they can be saved, healed, and delivered.

God may also want you to better yourself before you can better others. Before we can sow into others, we first need to take care of our body or temple.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 says, "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." The Lord has given us a temple to steward on this earth, and that is our body. He wants us to take better care of our health, whether that be our physical, mental, or spiritual health.

We can do that by making sure we are eating healthy, exercising, and getting proper sleep. We cannot do the Lord's will until we have first taken care of ourselves and loved ourselves. Then, we can love God and others.

When people just get out of relationships, they feel hurt, broken, or lost. These people need time to heal and recover from their past relationships, whether they were romantic partners or close friends. The people that we are connected to may have been close to us, and we had an unhealthy attachment to them.

When we are not around that person or people for a long time, we start to get used to going without them because it gets easier over time. Then, we feel we can move on and move forward. God may want to first heal our hearts from brokenness, hurt, loss, trauma, or abuse. He may want to deliver you from any soul ties that you had with that person or people that you just let go of. You may have developed a strong connection with that person or people. The Lord wants to break those ties or bonds that you had with that person or people.

If you don't get healed and delivered from soul ties, then you will keep thinking about that person or people, and you may want to get back together with them because you are still connected to them. You will want this person back if you have had sexual relations with them. That is why it is important to get delivered from the soul ties and from the relationship itself. You may also have gone through trauma or abuse in this relationship or friendship and may need healing from that as well.

That person may have treated you unfairly. That person may have disrespected you, and you put up with it long enough, and maybe you are still putting up with it. The Lord wants you to be willing to let that friendship or relationship go and to cut ties with that person or people.

The person that you were friends with or in a relationship with may have been a narcissist. That person may have been manipulative or controlling in your life. That person may have been using fear tactics to keep you enslaved to that relationship, for friendship. That person may have threatened you that if you get

out of that relationship they will do something harmful or hurtful to you. There is a spirit of control behind that person. That person may have also been abusive, whether that be physically, mentally, emotionally, or spiritually. Sometimes, it is hard for a person to get out of an abusive relationship because they are so attached to that person and have been in that relationship for a long time.

Also, that person may have a hard time getting out of a toxic relationship because of their thinking patterns and mindsets. That person may have had negative thoughts instilled within them since childhood. They may have been trained to think a certain way. The Lord may need to help them start to see themselves the way he sees them and to see others the way he sees them. That person may not know their true worth and identity because they did not grow up knowing Christ or the Bible. We can know our true worth and value when we spend time reading and studying the Bible. The Bible is filled with truth about who we are and our identity in Christ.

Many have based their identity on the friendship or relationship that they are or were in. They would look to the person they are dating or in a relationship with to define them. They would look to the external to define them, such as their friends, appearance, jobs, bank accounts, career status, or relationship status. But none of those things can truly define who we are. Our identity is found in Jesus Christ and his word.

That person may not see a way out of the relationship they are currently in because they have believed the lies of the enemy, Satan, for so long. That person getting abused believed that they were stuck in that abusive relationship, and they were afraid to walk away because the other person was controlling them and projecting fear on them. That person needed to walk away and leave that other person behind, and learn to let go, no matter how hard it was.

A person in an abusive relationship will need to be willing to get the help that they need. That starts with God. God is the only one who can heal, deliver, and set us free from our hurt, loss, pain, and rejection. He is the only one who can help us when we cry out to him and

ask him. But we need not be afraid to ask him for his help. He wants us to go to him with our problems, thoughts, and concerns. He wants us to seek him for guidance, direction, and wisdom when we are going through tough situations. He wants us to be able to trust him through those trying times.

When you get out of that relationship, you can allow time for healing and restoration in all areas of your life. You can allow God to heal your heart from the brokenness of that relationship or friendship. You may need to forgive some people who have done you wrong. You may need to let go of offenses, bitterness, and unforgiveness. Unforgiveness is what keeps many people out of the kingdom of heaven. Unforgiveness is only holding you back and keeping you in bondage. As soon as you can forgive that person who did you wrong, you can move on to freedom.

Also, you may need to get rid of generational curses. If you were to get into another relationship, those generational curses would be passed down to your generation unless you got deliverance from them. For example, if there was a divorce, addiction, or sickness

in the family, it is likely that divorce or sickness will carry down to the next generation, depending on what it is. So that is why it is important to address these concerns with Heavenly Father and get free from them. Allow Heavenly Father to reveal to you what is in your heart and life that needs deliverance and healing.

Another thing you can do while you remain single is to work on serving others and fulfilling the call and purpose of your life. Find out what your gifts are, and use them with the strength that God supplies. When you can serve others while single, then you can serve your husband or wife when you are married.

Servanthood plays a big part in marriage and motherhood because you are putting others above yourself. You are tending to the needs of your children and spouse, and not just yourself. When you are single, you have more time to focus on yourself and grow and develop your faith and relationship with God.

You can become strengthened by the trials and tribulations that you endure through singleness. Those trials and tests shape and mold you to become the godly husband and wife that the Lord has created you

to be. That is why the Lord puts us through a wilderness season so that He can produce within us Christlike character and faith. Then, once you have gotten healed, delivered, and endured through the tests and trials, you and your spouse will be ready for each other and for marriage.

**Chapter 5:  
Keeping your  
purity and saving  
sex for marriage**

In this day and age, it can be so easy for people to give into temptation, especially sexual immorality, adultery, and lust. So many are sleeping around and having sex outside of marriage, which is called fornication. This is a sin that is leading many people to hell. So many are on the broad path to hell because of fornication, pornography, lust, and adultery. Unless these people repent and turn away from their sins, they will not enter the kingdom of heaven. The Lord has created sex to be between a husband and wife, not a boyfriend and girlfriend.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-4 says, "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;"

God wants us to live a holy lifestyle. To be holy means to be set apart. When we are set apart, that means we do not continue to participate in habitual sin. We will not go out partying, drinking, clubbing, smoking, and fornicating or having sex. We have died to our old life and old way of living and have become new. We no

longer want to talk, act, behave, or dress like the world because the Lord has done a transforming work on the inside of us. Every day, we become more like Christ when we obey Him and His word. We are not yet perfect or complete, but one day we will stand in all the will of God. One day, we will be perfect and complete because we have finished the work that He gave us to do on this earth.

Every day we are becoming more holy and set apart because of the Holy Spirit inside us believers. The Holy Spirit is doing a transforming work in a believer's heart, mind, and life. The Holy Spirit is sanctifying the believer's and making them more holy. That is a continuous, lifelong process. Sanctification does not happen in one day. It is until our dying day.

1 Corinthians 6:18 says, "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body."

1 Corinthians 6:9-11 says, "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor

adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.”

Hebrews 13:4 says, “Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.”

Many do not care that they are living in fornication or sexual sin, but there will be consequences to this sin if the sin is not confessed and repented of. None of us are perfect, but we will not continue to live in the same cycle of habitual sin. We will repent and get out of that sin. We will strive to live holy lives. This does not mean that we will not fall at times, but when we do, we get back up again, repent, and start over. The Lord is merciful, forgiving, and is God of second chances. But when a Christian continues to disobey the word of God and lives in willful sin, that is when it becomes a problem.

Sin leads to death, and a person's sins are being stored up for the day of judgment. Romans 6:23 says, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" That is when godly sorrow over sin should lead us to confession and repentance. 2 Corinthians 7:10 says, " For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death."

When we can confess that we have sinned against God and not go back to our sins, that is when we have truly repented. True repentance is a turning away from our sins, not just confessing them to God. Proverbs 28:13 says, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy."

Now I want to talk about pornography. This is a sin that is leading many Christians to hell too. When a Christian is commits the sin of "pornography," their thoughts are not focused on Jesus Christ but on lust and perversion. When a person is focused on lustful thoughts of men and women committing sexual acts that can lead to the sin of adultery. Matthew 5:28 says, "But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."

That goes the same for men too. If we purposefully look at a woman or man with lust, we are committing the sin of adultery. Adultery is not just about a husband and wife cheating on each other. Adultery is the same as lusting after another person because of their outward appearance. I know we've all been there before. We have all had to repent of this sin, including myself.

But when you are purposefully and continuously given over to a provocative website, that is when you need deliverance from the addiction. The enemy is very sneaky and will try to tempt you into sexual sins such as lust, adultery, masturbation, fornication, or other sexual sins. That is when we need to confess those sins to God and repent. 1 John 1:9 says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

There are men and women who will purposely dress provocatively to get attention from the opposite sex. These men and women are causing others to stumble and fall because they are not dressing modestly. When

a woman or a man is dressed with their private parts exposed, this is causing others to sin. That man or woman may want to cover themselves up more and dress in modest apparel.

We will be held accountable for what we did with our bodies and how we were dressed. Yes, God looks at the heart. But what is on the outside will also reflect what is on the inside. God is also looking at how we dress and if we are causing others to sin because of how we are dressed. He cares about that too. That is why we should ask God if what we are wearing is pleasing to him and if what we are wearing glorifies Jesus Christ.

1 Timothy 2:9-10 says, "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; but (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."

1 Peter 3:3-4 says, "Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even

the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.”

**Chapter 6:  
Should Christians  
date? Dating vs.  
Courting**

There are Christians who do not know whether or not they should date. I want to encourage you to first seek the Lord. Ask Him if it is his will for you to date and marry in the current season that you are in. Ask the Lord to lead and guide you in every area of your life. In this chapter, I will be addressing dating and courtship.

Many Christians today are looking to date but are dating just to date with no intent to marry. Dating can lead to sins such as sexual immorality, fornication, lust, and adultery. Many hookup or date just to have sex. God designed sex to be within the confines of marriage. Many Christians today are desperate to find love. These Christians will find love in all the wrong places. Christians will go to bars, clubs, or dating websites to find love, but instead of it being love, it turns into lust.

Many Christians are in the wrong relationships with the wrong people because they did not wait on God and his timing. These Christians find themselves in relationships that are outside of God's will. Many Christians today are hooking up with counterfeits and

not the real man or woman that God has picked out for them.

The enemy will try to send you a counterfeit before God sends you the real person. That is why we need to ask God for discernment and to help guard our hearts and minds. The counterfeit may seem like the real deal, but was not sent from God. That is why we need to consult the Lord first before entering a friendship, a relationship, or a marriage. Ask the Lord for wisdom, guidance, direction, and discernment. He will show you if the person in your life is sent from him or the devil. He will show you if that person in your life has hidden motives or intentions.

There is a difference between dating and courtship. Dating is a worldly term for hooking up with someone without the intent to marry. People who date just date to have sex. But courting is the term for developing a relationship with the intent to marry. If it is God's will for you to marry, He will send you your spouse in his perfect timing. When that spouse comes into your life, you may not be in a relationship with that person for long because the Lord will have you two get married.

When you are in a relationship with your spouse and you are not yet married, you will be tempted to commit sexual sins. The enemy will try to get you to give into sin, your flesh, and temptation. When you are a Christian, you want to keep your sexual purity and wait until marriage to have sex. If a man does not want to wait for marriage to have sex and does not respect your boundaries, then get out of that relationship. That person is not sent from God but from the enemy with a hidden motive.

The counterfeit man just wants to get you pregnant and does not really love you. He just wants your body and does not love you for your soul. A God-fearing man will be willing to wait until marriage to have sex and will keep his purity vows. He will not pressure you to do something that you are not willing to do.

Many Christians fall into the sin of fornication because they did not wait until marriage to have sex. Sex outside of marriage can lead to hell if it is not repented of. The enemy can lead a boyfriend and girlfriend to start kissing and making out, then leads to sex. Many

Christians want to save their first kiss for marriage because they want to keep their purity vows and wait until marriage. Also, Christians believe that kissing can lead to other things, so they do not want to compromise.

But the devil can lead us to temptation, and so can our flesh. That is why we need to deny our flesh and walk in the Spirit. We also need the fruit of self-control. If we do not have self-control, then we will give into the desires of our flesh and sin. James 4:7 says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." Matthew 26:41 says, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

There are Christians who have committed the sin of fornication and also gotten pregnant outside of marriage. That is when couples decide to get married when they are pregnant because of this sin that they committed. They will be led to repent by getting married and then having children.

1 Corinthians 7:8-9 says, "I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I. But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn." It's better for a Christian couple to get married than to burn with lust. If a Christian couple is burning with lust, then that can lead them to have sex prematurely. That sex can lead to sin that later reaps consequences. Sin leads to death and hell. That is why it is so important to see where we stand with God and to get our hearts right with him while we still have the time. Mark 1:15 says, "And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."

Chapter 7:  
Counterfeit and  
unequally yoked  
relationships and  
friendships

Let's talk about counterfeit friendships and relationships. You may be enjoying or embracing your single season, and the enemy Satan comes in with a counterfeit Christian. The enemy will first start by sending counterfeit friends into your life, and then those friends may turn into relationships and marriages. Some friends that the enemy sends into your life have a hidden motive or agenda. Their motive is to ultimately take you away from God and his purpose for your life. The enemy's plan is to kill, steal, and destroy your life. John 10:10 says, "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

The devil will try to take advantage of you by sending his people to do his will for him. The devil has people working for him, and then there are people working for God too. Many do not know they are being used by the devil to do his will and carry out his plan and purpose on earth. These people come disguised as Christians but are really counterfeits.

The devil has sent counterfeit men and women into a true born-again believer's life to lead them captive from the truth and from their true spouses. Many men and women have gotten into relationships and marriages with counterfeits.

These marriages have fallen apart because they were not equally yoked and were also not God-ordained or God-centered marriages. The counterfeit husband or wife did not want to participate in prayer and the reading or studying of God's word, so the marriage fell apart. The counterfeiters job is to get married to the woman, get her pregnant, and then get divorced. So now she has a child and is a single mother struggling without a father for her children.

Many counterfeit men and women pretend to be Christians and may deceive real Christians into thinking they are the one sent from God but were not. This can go with relationships and also with friendships. You can get into a long-term friendship, and that person can ruin or destroy your life or your marriage. That counterfeit was jealous of you because you had what they wanted, whether it be your marriage, children, a spouse, a job, or a home. So they will try to sabotage your life or the things in your life that they are jealous of.

If you are in an unequally yoked friendship or relationship and have not yet married, I encourage you to consult the Lord and ask him if this person or relationship is in his will for your life. If it is not, then ask God to remove that person from your life. He will close that door that is not meant to be. That person will walk out of your life.

The Lord will make sure that you disconnect with that person. But it is up to us on our part to make sure that that door stays closed and that we do not return to that person. We may be close to that person, and the Lord may want us to break that connection or that bond with that person. The Lord will send in new people who are from him when we choose to let go of the old people that no longer serve us.

The Lord will send us our ordained spouses when we wait on him and his timing and do not settle for the wrong person. The person that he has for us will be worth the wait when that time comes. The Lord will see that we are ready for that spouse and marriage when we have been content with being single and have kept our focus on him and his will for our lives.

The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 6:14, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"

Song of Solomon 8:4 says, "I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, until he please."

Marriage,  
ministry in  
marriage,  
divorce, and  
remarriage

When a couple comes together, they leave their mother and father and cleave to each other as husband and wife. Genesis 2:24 says, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh." When a couple comes together in marriage, it is for life or till death do us apart. A couple does not get divorced as soon as there is an argument or a fight.

The enemy will do all he can in his power to separate and divide married couples. The devil hates marriage and unions and does not want to see couples prosper in their marriages. He certainly does not want to see couples come together in marriage, especially when the marriage is God-ordained. God hates divorce and wants married couples to stay together for life. It is not his will for couples to separate unless it is an abusive or adulterous marriage.

Mark 10:9 says, "What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

Matthew 19:9 says, "And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso

marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.”

1 Corinthians 7:10-11 says, “And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband: but and if she depart, let her remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife.”

Romans 7:2-3 says, “For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.”

If a husband or wife is still alive and one of them remarries, it is the same as committing the sin of adultery. If a man or woman is in an adulterous marriage, they are to repent and separate from that marriage because, in God’s eyes, that man or woman is still married to their previous spouse.

Why do marriages fall apart? Well, it is because marriage is not centered on God and his word as the firm foundation. When a couple keeps God at the center of their marriage through prayer, worship, and Bible reading, that marriage will go a lot smoother. Does not mean that marriage is perfect. There will be ups and downs, and that goes with any marriage. But a married couple is willing to settle their differences and work things out together as one with God and each other. A married couple is willing to compromise when it comes to disputes and arguments.

A good marriage is founded on mutual love, respect, and communication. Couples will be able to love each other better when they first love God and themselves. When you know who you are in Christ, you will not base your worth and identity on a man, woman, marriage, or children. When you know who you are, you will not look to a spouse or a marriage to fulfill; you but you will look to Christ alone. When you know your identity and worth, you can love yourself as God loves you. When you are also able to take care of yourself then you are able to take care of those around you, such as your spouse and children.

A good marriage is founded on prayer and the word of God. Ever hear that saying, “couples who pray together stay together.” That is so true. When couples come together to pray it is so powerful. God answers prayer according to His will and timing. When a couple comes together to read and study the word of God, they can face anything together. That is when the couple can do ministry together because they have put God first. The married couple can minister to one another, to their children, or out in their community. The devil hates when couples keep God at the center of their marriage because then the couple is able to work things out better in prayer, worship, and the word.

The enemy loves to cause division and separation among married couples. He wants to try to get the married couple to get a divorce or to commit adultery with another person. The enemy will try to get a married couple to become unfaithful to their spouse by looking at another man or woman with lust and committing the sin of adultery. The enemy will try to send temptations to take the spouses off the path that God has for them. The enemy will also try to send people into that couple's lives to cause division and separation. The enemy has people who are working for him to do his will too, and not just people working for God.

That is why it is so important for couples to pray together against these spiritual attacks and stay rooted in the word of God. When couples pray against temptations while fasting together, they are better able to equip themselves for the spiritual battle ahead.

Married couples have a calling and a purpose. They are called to serve one another and their children. Marriage and parenthood are ministries in and of themselves. Parents are to bring up their children in the ways of the Lord. The parents are to discipline their children and teach them the Bible. When these children grow up, they will have salvation and will follow and obey Christ and His commandments. The children will know good from bad and right from wrong. Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Our first and number one ministry starts at home with our families, spouses, and children, and then it works its way outside. It is possible that we can have more than one ministry or calling. We may be called to raise a family and teach our children biblical truths. Then, we may be called to serve in our church, to do a bible study online, or to start a YouTube ministry. We all have at least one ministry. Our ministry is to minister to the people that God has placed in our lives.

The people that God has placed in our lives can be our family, spouses, children, neighbors, or church family. It can even be those on social media. The Lord may have you serve in more than one ministry. The Lord has given us different gifts and talents, and He wants us to use them for His glory. 1 Peter 4:10 says, "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

When we are faithful to the little God has given us, then He can trust us with so much more. Luke 16:10 says, "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much." God will multiply our gifts and talents when we are faithful to them. That is when we may be serving our spouses and children and then serving those at our local church or in the community.

God will put two people together who have the same gifts and talents; that way, they can work together as a team for the kingdom of God. There is so much power when a couple works together for the kingdom of God. A husband may have the gift of evangelism, and so does the wife. So the husband and wife will go out and evangelize in their community. But before they evangelize in their community, they will first evangelize with their children.

When God places the same calling on a husband and wife's lives, then they work together to fulfill that mission, calling, and purpose.

Wives are to honor, respect, and submit to their husbands. Husbands are to love their wives and not be bitter towards them. A husband should not be controlling and manipulative towards his wife. A husband should also not be abusive towards his wife.

Ephesians 5:22-25 says, "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;"

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