

PRINCIPLES OF MARRIAGE (7:1 – 9)

- A. Pre-Marital sexual intimacy is forbidden (7:1)
- B. Monogamy and fidelity are commanded (7:2)
- C. Husbands and wives should meet the needs of each other (7:3)
- D. Husbands and wives belong to each other (7:4)
- E. Husbands and wives should protect their relationship (7:5-6)
- F. Both marriage and singleness are gifts from God (7:7-9)

MARRIAGE DIRECTIVES (7:10-24)

A. To believing couples (7:10-11)

B. To mixed couples (7:12-16)

1. Marriage should continue (7:12-13)

2. The believing spouse has a sanctifying influence (7:14)

3. Desertion by the unbelieving spouse ends the marriage (7:15-16)

C. To believers in all situations (7:17-24)

1. Abide in your calling (7:17-20)

2. Have no anxiety (7:21-24)

3. Rejoice in your redemption (7:23)

SINGLENESS (7:25-40)

- A. It is acceptable (7:25-28)
- B. It gives control (7:29-31)
- C. It gives freedom (7:32-35)
- D. It can be dedicated to the Lord (7:32-35)
- E. It should be understood by parents (7:36-38)
- F. Widows can remain single (7:39-40)

PRINCIPES OF CHRISTIAN LIBERTY (8:1-13)

- A. Knowledge alone is insufficient (8:1-2)
- B. Act out of love (8:3)
- C. Biblical understanding is necessary (8:4-6)
- D. Knowledge and love must work together (8:7-13)
 - 1. Be aware of the weak conscience (8:7-8)
 - 2. Honor it (8:9-11)
 - 3. Do not sin against it (8:12-13)

AN ILLUSTRATION OF LIBERTY (9:1-18)

A. Everyone has the right to be paid for work (9:1-14)

1. Apostles have the right (9:1-6)
2. Natural law gives the right (9:7)
3. The Law of Moses approved the right (9:8-10)
4. Spiritual work should be paid (9:11-14)

B. Paul chose not to use the right to be paid (9:15-18)

1. He did not want to hinder the Gospel (9:12)
2. He preached willingly (9:16-17)
3. He did not want to abuse his authority (9:18)

THE RIGHTS OF PAUL (9:19-27)

A. The right to serve (9:19-23)

1. The Jews
2. Gentiles
3. The weak believers

B. The right to excel (9:24-27)

*Illustration – Olympic runners

1. We believers must all run
2. We believers can all win
3. We believers must have self-discipline
4. We believers must run according to the rules

THE VIOLATION OF LIBERTY BY ISRAEL (10:1-15)

A. Her blessings (10:1-4)

1. Under the cloud
2. Passed through the sea
3. Baptized into Moses
4. Ate manna
5. Drank water

B. Her violations (10:5-10)

C. Our lessons (10:6-15)

1. Learn from Israel's history (10:6-10)
2. Accept admonition (10:11)
3. Watch out for pride (10:12)
4. Endure tests (10:13)
5. Flee idolatry (10:14)
6. Use discernment (10:15)

FELLOWSHIP WITH CHRIST (10:16 – 11:1)

- A. Christ did not fellowship with demons (10:16-22)
- B. Christ served others with love and sensitivity (10:23-30)
- C. Christ glorified God at all times (10:31 – 11:1)

HEADSHIP (11:2-16)

- A. Understand the Biblical concept of headship (11:2-3)
- B. Do not dishonor your head (11:4-10)
- C. Complement each other (11:11-12)
- D. Do not be contentious (11:13-16)

THE LORD'S TABLE (11:17-34)

- A. A time of unity (11:17-19)
- B. A time of remembrance (11:23-26)
- C. A time of examination (11:27-34)