

Life Applications

The Freedom We have in Jesus

06 Oct 1 Corinthians 7:1-24

The Corinthians had one group saying 'whatever you do is OK because the body is unimportant.' Another group was saying, 'you are more spiritual if you keep sexuality out of your life, even if you are married.' Both ideas are rooted in Greek philosophy. Why does Paul say they are both wrong? How have both of those ideas dragged believers off course?

The church follows the world's philosophy when it accepts cohabitation and sex outside of marriage as an option for believers. Is there any way to make that biblical and right? Does not having those options constitute oppression? Why? How could there be freedom in having limited options (Gen 2:16-17)?

Describe the difference between supporting your opinion with Bible verses and listening to what God is saying through His Word. Think of when you did both and describe the difference (1 Cor 4:6).

Why does God leave us so many choices where either decision is OK and the choice is based on understanding who we are in Christ (Gen 2:16; Col 2:16-23; Rom 14:1-9)?

We are ever seeking happiness in other people and other situations ('if only I had a better job, someone in my life, etc'). Paul says for slaves to take freedom if they can get it. Why does he say to learn to live in your current situation (1 Cor 7:17)?