

The world is not enough

Temple bodies: stay unmarried

1 Corinthians 7:25–40

Introduction: Under what circumstances might it be better not to marry?

1. **Paul's general advice: now is a good time to remain as you are** (7:25–28)

2. **Paul's underlying reasoning:**

a. **The things of this age are passing away** (v28–31)

b. **If you get married, you'll take on extra anxieties** (v32–35)

3. **Paul's specific application: you *might* want to defer the wedding** (v36–40)

Questions for discussion and reflection:

- What would you most like to think more about from this sermon?
- How does 1 Corinthians 7 help us to think about what really matters—and how does it help us to think about the things that **don't** really matter?
- How might this chapter help us to think through other decisions (eg whether to buy a house, whether to take a promotion etc)?