

June 23,24 2018

“Singleness”
I Corinthians 7:7-9

Message by Rob Bashioum
Worship led by Camryn Ronnow

Music:

The Lion and The Lamb	Ever Be	O Praise The Name
How Deep The Father’s Love For Us	Who You Say I Am	

Sermon:

Then the Lord took Abram outside and said to him, “Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That’s how many descendants you will have!” Genesis 15:5

For this is what the Lord says:

I will bless those eunuchs (those who cannot procreate but turn their lives into a unique service instead of marriage) who keep my Sabbath days holy and who choose to do what pleases me and commit their lives to me. I will give them—within the walls of my house— a memorial and a name far greater than sons and daughters could give. For the name I give them is an everlasting one.

It will never disappear!

Isaiah 56:4-5

No one cared that he died without descendants, that his life was cut short in midstream. But he was struck down for the rebellion of my people. He had done no wrong and had never deceived anyone. But he was buried like a criminal; he was put in a rich man’s grave. But it was the Lord’s good plan to crush him and cause him grief. Yet when his life is made an offering for sin he will have many descendants.

Isaiah 53:8-10

Marriage is temporary and points to Christ and His bride. Now if this is the case, there is a staggering implication for single hood and that is single people can now have spiritual children and can contribute to the building of a far more important family of God because God builds His family through spiritual regeneration and the relationship with Jesus. Marriage is no longer essential for the task of building the family of God and having and raising these (spiritual)

children who belong to the more foundational and fundamental important and permanent family.

-Sunder Krishnan

But I wish everyone were single, just as I am. Yet each person has a special gift from God, of one kind or another. So I say to those who aren't married and to widows—it's better to stay unmarried, just as I am. But if they can't control themselves, they should go ahead and marry.
– 1 Corinthians 7:7-8

“Some choose not to marry for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven. Let anyone accept this who can.”

- Matthew 19:12

Singles have no disadvantage in pursuing their call and in making disciples and being spiritual parents in the Kingdom of God. In fact, in some ways they have an advantage.

Singles – you are whole & complete. There is room at the table...