

**Correction To Perfection**  
To Marry Or Not To Marry  
*1 Corinthians 7:25-40*

Five factors to consider when determining whether to marry or stay single.

**I. Factor #1: Potential \_\_Pressures\_\_! 7:26-28**

A. Pressures from the \_\_outside\_\_. **7:26a**  
*2 Timothy 3:12-13*

B. Pressures from the \_\_inside\_\_. **7:28b**

**1. Marriage involves two people, who both battle their \_\_flesh\_\_, trying to become one.**

**II. Factor #2: Temporal \_\_Perspectives\_\_! 7:29-31**

A. Decisions we make in life need to be made in light of \_\_eternal\_\_ perspectives not temporal ones.

B. Two things that are temporary:

**1. \_\_Time\_\_ is temporary. 7:29a**  
*Matthew 6:19-21*

**2. The \_\_things\_\_ of this world and the world itself are temporary. 7:31b; 1 John 2:17**

C. In this passage Paul is saying to use the world, but don't use it to \_\_excess\_\_. God made all these things for our enjoyment, not our worship.

D. The advantage of being single is that you deal with all these things of this world as an \_\_individual\_\_, not in conjunction with another person.

**III. Factor #3: Divided \_\_Passions\_\_! 7:32-35**

A. Paul wants believers to live a spiritually productive life with undivided \_\_devotion\_\_ to Christ. **7:35**

**IV. Factor #4: Counsel of \_\_Parents\_\_! 7:36-38**

A. The father who has a \_\_change\_\_ of heart. **7:36**

B. The father who's heart remains \_\_unchanged\_\_. **7:37**

C. It not a matter of right or wrong, but what is better or best. It is \_\_good\_\_ to get married if you desire, but \_\_better\_\_ to be single.

D. Next to faith in Christ, marriage is the most important decision your child will make and how many children face that decision with no counsel or direction from the ones who should know them best, their \_\_parents\_\_.

**V. Factor #5: Marital \_\_Permanence\_\_! 7:39-40**

A. Marriage is not eternal, but it is \_\_life\_\_ - \_\_long\_\_. God's ideal is one man with one woman for one \_\_lifetime\_\_.

B. Remarriage is permitted if a spouse \_\_dies\_\_, but only to a believer.