1 CORINTHIANS 7:10-16

{Sunday, February 5, 2017 A.D.}

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

All things are lawful for me, but not all things are profitable. . . I will not be mastered by anything

you are not your own. . . you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God

1 Corinthians 7:1-9

Now concerning the things about which you wrote,

1 Corinthians 7:10-16

¹⁰ But to the married I give instructions, <u>not I, but the Lord</u>, that <u>the wife should not leave her husband</u> ¹¹ (<u>but if she does leave, she must remain unmarried</u>, or else be reconciled to her husband), and that the husband should not divorce his wife.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

¹⁶ <u>All Scripture is inspired by God</u> and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

1 Corinthians 7:40

⁴⁰ But in my opinion she is happier if she remains as she is; and I think that I also have the Spirit of God.

Matthew 19:3-6

³ Some Pharisees came to Jesus, testing Him and asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any reason at all?"

⁴ And He answered and said, "Have you not read that <u>He who created them from the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE</u>, ⁵ and said, "FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH'? ⁶ "So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate."

Luke 16:18

¹⁸ "Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and he who marries one who is divorced from a husband commits adultery.

1 Corinthians 7:39-40

³⁹ A wife is bound as long as her husband lives; but if her husband is dead, she is free to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord. ⁴⁰ But in my opinion she is happier if she remains as she is; and I think that <u>I also have the Spirit of God</u>.

Romans 7:1-3

¹ Or do you not know, brethren (for I am speaking to those who know the law), that <u>the law has jurisdiction over a person as long as he lives?</u> For the married woman is bound by law to her husband while he is living; but if her husband dies, she is released from the law concerning the husband. ³ So then, if while her husband is living she is joined to another man, she shall be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an adulteress though she is joined to another man.

¹² But to the rest I say, not the Lord, that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he must not divorce her. ¹³ And a woman who has an unbelieving husband, and he consents to live with her, she must not send her husband away.

¹⁴ For the unbelieving husband is <u>sanctified through his wife</u>, and the unbelieving wife is <u>sanctified through her believing husband</u>; for otherwise your children are <u>unclean</u>, but now they are <u>holy</u>. ¹⁵ Yet if the unbelieving one leaves, <u>let him leave</u>; the brother or the sister is <u>not under bondage in such cases, but God has called us to <u>peace</u>. ¹⁶ For how do you know, O wife, whether you will save your husband? Or how do you know, O husband, whether you will save your wife?</u>

Only, <u>as the Lord has assigned to each one, as God has called each</u>, <u>in this manner let him walk</u>. And so <u>I direct</u> in all the churches. ¹⁸ Was any man called *when he was already* circumcised? He is not to become uncircumcised. Has anyone been called in uncircumcision? He is not to be circumcised. ¹⁹ Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but *what matters is* <u>the keeping of the commandments of God</u>. ²⁰ Each man <u>must remain in that condition in which he was called</u>. ²¹ Were you called while a slave? Do not worry about it; but if you are able also to become free, rather do that. ²² For he who was called in the Lord while a slave, is the Lord's freedman; likewise he who was called while free, is Christ's slave. ²³ <u>You were bought with a price</u>; do not become slaves of men. ²⁴ Brethren, <u>each one is to remain with God in that *condition* in which he was called.</u>

The woman who is <u>unmarried</u>, <u>and the virgin</u>, <u>is concerned about the things of the Lord</u>, <u>that she may be holy both in body and spirit</u>; but one who is <u>married is concerned about</u> <u>the things of the world</u>, how she may please her husband.

Now concerning virgins I have no command of the Lord, but I give an opinion as one who by the mercy of the Lord is trustworthy. ²⁶ I think then that this is good in view of the present distress, that it is good for a man to remain as he is. ²⁷ Are you bound to a wife? Do not seek to be released. Are you released from a wife? Do not seek a wife. ²⁸ But if you marry, you have not sinned; and if a virgin marries, she has not sinned. Yet such will have trouble in this life, and I am trying to spare you. ²⁹ But this I say, brethren, the time has been shortened, so that from now on those who have wives should be as though they had none; ³⁰ and those who weep, as though they did not weep; and those who rejoice, as though they did not rejoice; and those who buy, as though they did not possess; ³¹ and those who use the world, as though they did not make full use of it; for the form of this world is passing away.

But I want you to be free from concern. One who is unmarried is concerned about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord; 33 but one who is married is concerned about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, 34 and his interests are divided.

³⁵ This I say for your own benefit; not to put a restraint upon you, but to promote what is appropriate and *to secure* undistracted devotion to the Lord.

³⁶ But if any man thinks that he is acting unbecomingly toward his virgin *daughter,* if she is past her youth, and if it must be so, <u>let him do what he wishes, he does not sin; let her marry</u>.

- ³⁷ But he who stands firm in his heart, being under no constraint, but has authority over his own will, and has decided this in his own heart, to keep his own virgin daughter, he will do well.
- ³⁸ So then both he who gives his own virgin daughter in marriage does well, and he who does not give her in marriage will do better.

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