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THE LIES WE'RE TOLD &  
THE TRUTH WE'RE OFFERED

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- Make Lasting Friendships
- Become Part of Something Bigger than Yourself

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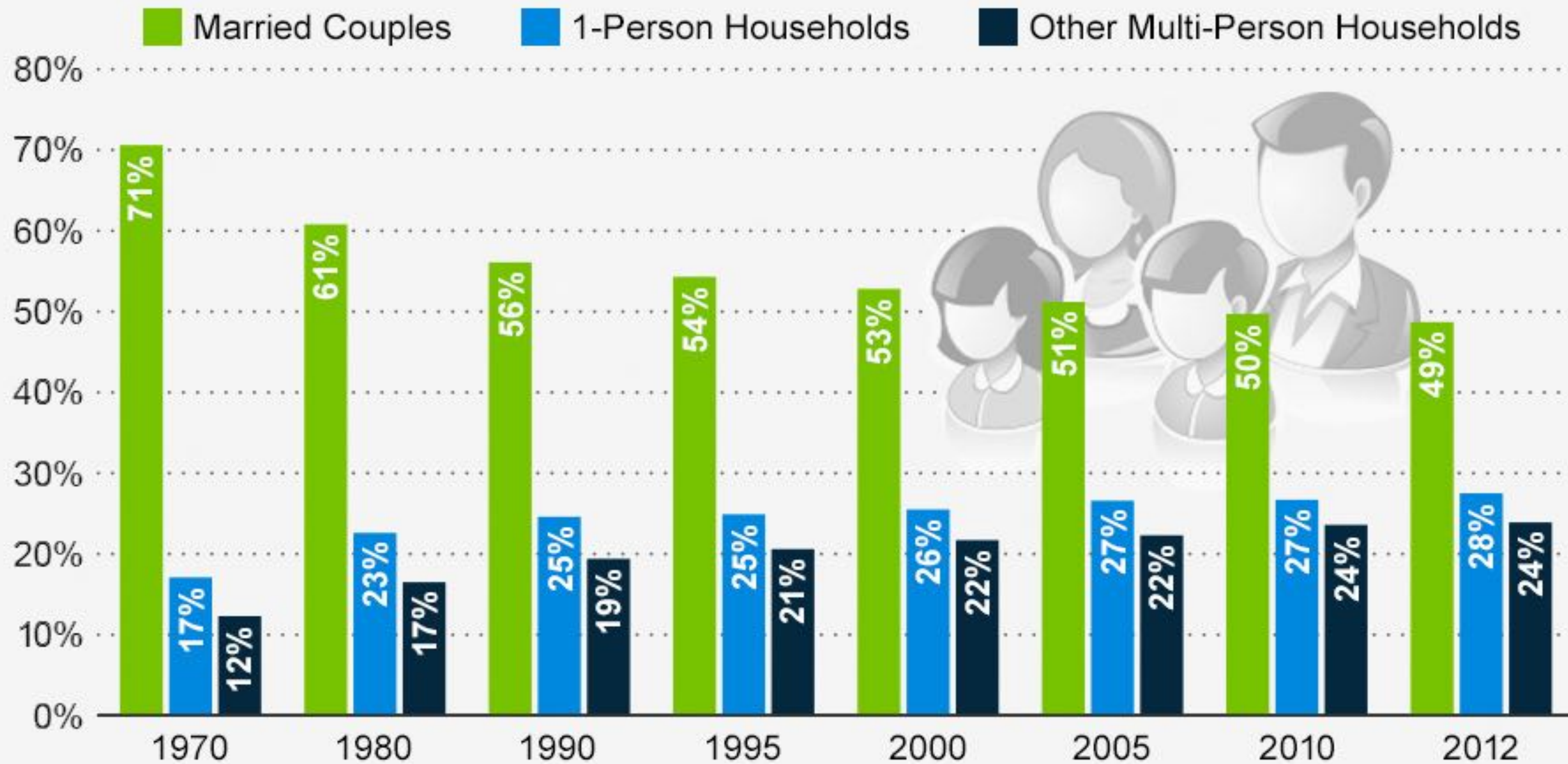
*A Church  
for  
Family*

New Series  
Begins This  
Sunday:

**Developing  
Families with  
Purpose**

# The Rise of the American 1-Person Household

American households by type 1970-2012 (in %)



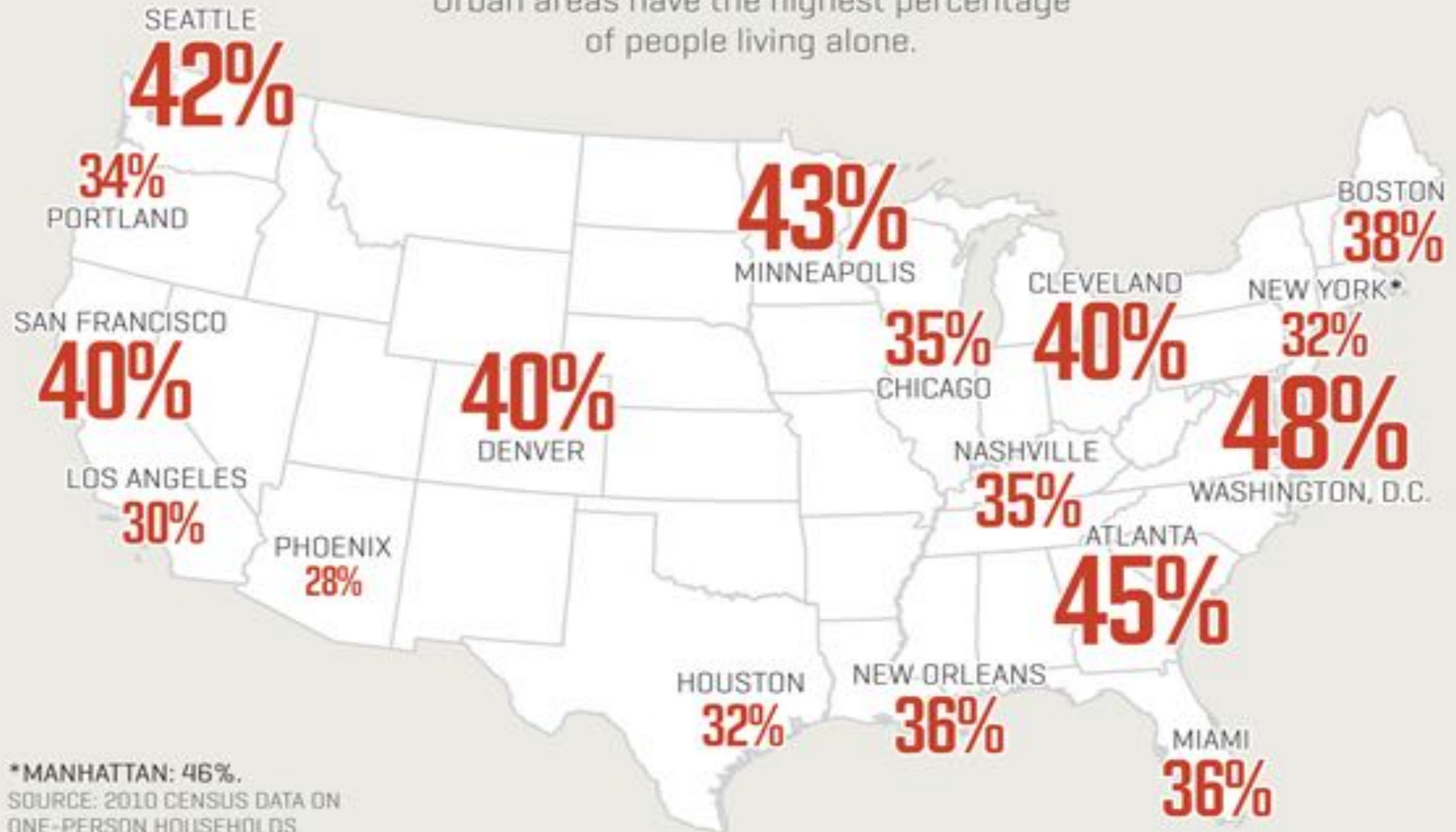
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## **SINGLENES IN AMERICA:**

1. 110.6 MILLION UNMARRIED ADULTS IN 2016.
2. 42.5% OF ALL US RESIDENTS 18 AND OLDER.
3. 23% OF AMERICAN ADULTS WILL NEVER HAVE BEEN MARRIED IN THEIR LIFETIME

# ON THEIR OWN IN THE BIG CITY

Urban areas have the highest percentage of people living alone.



\*MANHATTAN: 46%.  
SOURCE: 2010 CENSUS DATA ON ONE-PERSON HOUSEHOLDS

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5. CHRISTIAN WOMEN WHO CAN'T BEAT  
THE ODDS THAT THERE ARE MORE  
PRACTICING CHRISTIAN WOMEN THAN  
MEN

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2. DISTORTIONS FROM TRADITIONAL AMERICAN CULTURE (“CHURCH MOM”)

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**BIBLE:** SINGLENES IS A GIFT TO SERVE  
OTHERS

- NOT A GIFT TO SERVE YOURSELF
- NOT A PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED



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**BIBLE:** SINGLENES IS A GIFT TO BE  
ACCEPTED SOBERLY

- NOT A CURSE OF LONELINESS
- NOT A CELEBRATION OF “FREEDOM”

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**BIBLE:** SINGLENES IS THE ULTIMATE “YES”  
TO RESPONSIBILITY

- NOT A DOOM TO CHILDISHNESS
- NOT A LICENSE FOR IRRESPONSIBILITY

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**7** I WISH THAT ALL PEOPLE WERE AS I AM [UNMARRIED]. BUT EACH HAS HIS OWN GIFT FROM GOD, ONE PERSON HAS THIS GIFT, ANOTHER HAS THAT. **8** I SAY TO THE UNMARRIED AND TO WIDOWS: IT IS GOOD FOR THEM IF THEY REMAIN AS I AM.

**1 CORINTHIANS 7**

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**26** BECAUSE OF THE PRESENT DISTRESS, I THINK 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** HOWEVER, IF YOU DO GET MARRIED, YOU HAVE NOT

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SINNED, AND IF A VIRGIN MARRIES, SHE HAS NOT SINNED. BUT SUCH PEOPLE WILL HAVE TROUBLE IN THIS LIFE, AND I AM TRYING TO SPARE YOU.

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**BIBLE:** SINGLENESSE WILL INDEED BE  
DIFFICULT

- NOT IMPOSSIBLE WASTE
- NOT AN EASIER ROUTE THAN  
MARRIAGE

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## AMERICA SAYS:

1. PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS.
2. (ALMOST) ONLY WAY THERE IS ROMANCE
3. YOU CAN'T GET IT WITHOUT PUTTING YOURSELF OUT THERE

## BIBLE SAYS:

1. PURSUIT OF GOD'S GLORY.
2. (ALMOST) ONLY WAY THERE IS HOLINESS
3. YOU CAN'T GET IT WITHOUT SELF-DENIAL, SELF-FORGETFULNESS

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4. "I KNOW SOMEONE FOR YOU"

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**3B** THE EUNUCH SHOULD NOT SAY,  
“LOOK, I AM A DRIED-UP TREE.” **4** FOR THE  
LORD SAYS THIS... **5** I WILL GIVE THEM, IN  
MY HOUSE AND WITHIN MY WALLS, A  
MEMORIAL AND A NAME BETTER THAN  
SONS AND DAUGHTERS.

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I WILL GIVE EACH OF THEM AN  
EVERLASTING NAME THAT WILL NEVER BE  
CUT OFF.

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