



**Sermon Discussion Guide | November 10, 2019**

**Week 9: 1 Corinthians 7:10-16**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HEAD</b> <i>Understanding the Truth</i></p>	<p><b>Read:</b> 1 Corinthians 7:10-16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>What is the significance of Paul saying “not I, but the Lord” in v10 &amp; “I (not the Lord)” in v12?</b> Verse 10 references back to direct quotations of Jesus’ teaching in Matthew 19</li> <li>● <b>In v14, Paul says the unbelieving spouse is made “holy” by the believing spouse, calling their children also “holy”. What does he mean by that?</b> Doesn’t mean they are ‘saved’, but holy as in ‘set apart’ in some way... probably in a special way that allows them to have front row seats to the Gospel, as it were.</li> </ul> <p><b>Read:</b> Matthew 19:1-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Based on these two passages in particular, how would you communicate a Biblical understanding of divorce?</b></li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HEART</b> <i>Embracing the Truth</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We live in a low-commitment culture, and that can be seen in the approach many take towards “no-fault” or “easy-out” divorces. <b>How can we as Christians do a better job at elevating the dignity of marriage?</b></li> <li>● For many of us there’s a lot of personal heartache involved with this topic. Perhaps you’ve been divorced, come from a divorced home, have an unbelieving spouse, or other marriage related pains. <b>If you wouldn’t mind sharing, how have you experienced brokenness related to this topic (either up close or from afar)?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>What hope does the Gospel have to offer us in the midst of these hurts?</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HANDS</b> <i>Living the Truth</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A lot of well-intended Christians give really bad advice when it comes to marriage &amp; divorce related issues. <b>How can we make sure we are counseling biblically and not from worldly wisdom (or what seems right to us)?</b></li> <li>● <b>What are some practical ways for those who have unbelieving spouses to love their husband/wife well and point them to the Gospel?</b></li> <li>● <b>How can we as a CG encourage one another to prioritize &amp; nurture our marriages?</b> Consider taking time on different weeks to discuss how your marriages are doing.</li> </ul>