



SCRIPTURE READING

WITH LAI WENGI

Colossians 3:12-17 (NASB '95)

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¹² So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; ¹³ bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. ¹⁴ Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

WORD

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CARING FOR FAMILY OF SINGLES

Colossians 3:12-17 (NASB 95)

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**Get married,
have kids? •**
Singles say
there is no rush
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Singles are:

- Not 2nd class citizens
- Capable
- Available for ministry



Categories of singles:

Not married

Divorced

Widowed

Separated

A close-up photograph of a person's hands clasped in prayer, resting on an open Bible. The person is wearing a grey sweater. The background is dark, and the lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the sweater and the pages of the Bible.

Scripture principles:

1. Singleness is not easy

Gen 2:18

2. Singleness can be used by God

Matt 19:10-12

3. Singleness has great value

1 Cor 7:1-40

4. Singles called to walk in God

1 Cor 7:17,20,24 & 26

5. Singles serve undistracted

1 Cor 7:25

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A large crowd of people is gathered in a church or auditorium. The background shows a stage with a large screen displaying a logo and text. The foreground is filled with people, some with their hands raised in prayer or praise. A semi-transparent grey box is overlaid in the center of the image, containing the text.


Word to the singles:

- **Thank God for the gift of singleness;**
- **Live godly lives;**
- **Participate in the family of God.**

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Word to the marrieds:

- **Don't treat singles as 2nd class citizens;**
- **Absorb them into the family (of God);**
- **Encourage them.**



**Eight ways
the body
of Christ
can be
involved in
each other**

- 1. Accept each other's status as God's gift;**
- 2. Pray for each other;**
- 3. Be sensitive to each other's feelings;**
- 4. Avoid warped thinking;**
- 5. Lend a listening ear;**
- 6. Spend time with people;**
- 7. Notice small things in life;**
- 8. Celebrate milestones.**



*Think of one way you
can encourage a
specific person today.*



Discussion Questions:

1. In what way can you be more encouraging to each other?
 2. Share one practical way your group can be involved in the life of a single person in your group or someone in the church.
 3. Share a prayer request of your need in the area of singleness or in helping a single.
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