

# Singleness Morning

25 February 2017

**ST HELEN'S**  
BISHOPSGATE

## **1) Marriage is for single people too**

- Ephesians 5:22-33

- Revelation 19:6-10

## **2) Family is for single people too**

- Genesis 2:18 in context

- "the household" in 1 Timothy

## **3) Singleness is the special gift of single people, for the Lord**

- Matthew 19:10-12

- 1 Corinthians 7

## GROUPWORK

We are going to consider four groups in particular: **a)** someone who is bereaved, **b)** someone who is dating, **c)** someone who is same sex attracted, **d)** someone who is single and doesn't want to be.

Imagine yourself in the shoes of the group you've been asked to think about (even if it doesn't represent you personally):

1) If you'd heard none of today's teaching, what grievances might you hold against God or against the church?

2) What advice might you receive from non-Christian family or friends?

3) How might the teaching that *Marriage is for single people too* help you?

4) How might the teaching that *Family is for single people too* help you?

5) How might the teaching that *Singleness is the special gift of single people, for the Lord* help you?

6) How might the wider church family better serve someone in your situation?