

# GRACE NOTES

Sunday, August 6, 2017

Series: THIS IS US

Message: Is Singleness Really a Gift?

## 1 Corinthians 7:1-7, 32-35

<sup>1</sup> *Now for the matters you wrote about: "It is good for a man not to have sexual relations with a woman."* <sup>2</sup> *But since sexual immorality is occurring, each man should have sexual relations with his own wife, and each woman with her own husband.*

<sup>3</sup> *The husband should fulfill his marital duty to his wife, and likewise the wife to her husband.* <sup>4</sup> *The wife does not have authority over her own body but yields it to her husband. In the same way, the husband does not have authority over his own body but yields it to his wife.* <sup>5</sup> *Do not deprive each other except perhaps by mutual consent and for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer. Then come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.* <sup>6</sup> *I say this as a concession, not as a command.*

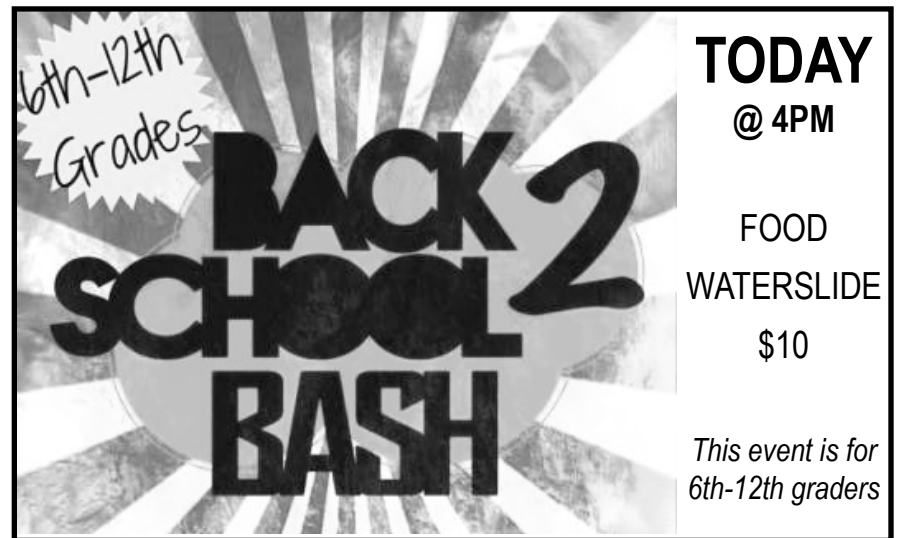
<sup>7</sup> *I wish that all of you were as I am. But each of you has your own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that.*

<sup>32</sup> *I would like you to be free from concern. An unmarried man is concerned about the Lord's affairs—how he can please the Lord.* <sup>33</sup> *But a married man is concerned about the affairs of this world—how he can please his wife—* <sup>34</sup> *and his interests are divided. An unmarried woman or virgin is concerned about the Lord's affairs: Her aim is to be devoted to the Lord in both body and spirit. But a married woman is concerned about the affairs of this world—how she can please her husband.* <sup>35</sup> *I am saying this for your own good, not to restrict you, but that you may live in a right way in undivided devotion to the Lord.*

If you're married, leverage your marriage for the Kingdom of God.

If you are married and have children, leverage your family for the Kingdom of God.

If you're single, leverage your singleness for the Kingdom of God.



The poster features a sunburst background with the text "6th-12th Grades" in a handwritten font in the top left corner. The main title "BACK 2 SCHOOL BASH" is written in large, bold, black letters. To the right of the title, the event details are listed: "TODAY @ 4PM", "FOOD WATERSLIDE \$10", and "This event is for 6th-12th graders".

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