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Questionable Questions in the Corinthian Church

Culture Structure of Morality and Ethics
A Clash of Worldviews

Thematic Structure-
Difficult Questions Raised by the Corinthians to the Apostle Paul

Grammatical Structure-
“Now concerning.....” 7:1, 25,8:1, 12:1, 16:1,12

Difficult Issues Concerning Marriage 7:1-40

- I. The Principle Concerning Christian Life and Marriage 7:1-7
 - A. The Principle :1
 1. The Cultural Background. (I Cor 7:26)
 2. The Church Backstory (5:1, 13, 6:20)
 3. The Church had been Corrupted by the Culture
 - B. The Problem :2-5
 1. Sexuality
 2. Submission. (Eph 5)
 3. Sociology: Sexuality & Spirituality. Authentic not Ascetic
 - C. The Principle Reiterated :6-7
 1. Paul’s Concession not Commandment
 2. Paul’s Concern. (see 7:20. Stay in your State)

Principles to Ponder

1. God’s word speaks to real life circumstance and situations.
2. The culture is always exerting pressure on Christians
3. There is a difference between a command and a concession (Wisdom not Law)
4. Marriage is best built with selflessness and submission - LOVE