



Daily Reflections

September 7, 2016

Scripture

1 Corinthians 7: 25-31

Brothers and sisters:

In regard to virgins, I have no commandment from the Lord, but I give my opinion as one who by the Lord's mercy is trustworthy.

So this is what I think best because of the present distress:

that it is a good thing for a person to remain as he is.

Are you bound to a wife? Do not seek a separation.

Are you free of a wife? Then do not look for a wife.

If you marry, however, you do not sin,

nor does an unmarried woman sin if she marries;

but such people will experience affliction in their earthly life,

and I would like to spare you that.

I tell you, brothers, the time is running out.

From now on, let those having wives act as not having them,

those weeping as not weeping,

those rejoicing as not rejoicing,

those buying as not owning,
those using the world as not using it fully.
For the world in its present form is passing away.

Our Scripture Reflection

Even though Paul's words in today's text may sound a bit bizarre, the Spiritual Father that he is is really coming out. It is Paul's belief that Jesus is coming back soon, at any time. From the vantage point of 2,000 years later, we can see that his estimation was inaccurate. What is rock-solid true, however, is that the Lord will return as He promised at the end of time. Paul's point: Do not get distracted by anything or anyone in this life. Make your focus Christ Jesus and His Kingdom. He must be above all.

Food for your Journey

“What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal.”

Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, May I never become distracted by things in this life. Help me to put You front and center and above all. Amen.