







**Prince Victor Matthew Coaching Programme** 

# THE PURPOSE OF SINGLEHOOD

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### **Chapter One**

# Singlehood

#### **Eccl 3:1**

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

This life we are living is a journey, and if you are wise, you will see everything within, and around you as a journey. In that same spirit, I will like to state that Singlehood is not a stage or a status but a journey of different phase of discovery, preparation and execution of a specific plan.

#### **A JOURNEY**

According to the scripture above, you will agree with me that there is a purpose for Singlehood. Singlehood is not just one of those things or season that comes and go at will. It is a phase in life that goes with being deliberate, being determined about your identity, and what God have created you to become.

This is a journey from ignorance to the level of knowledge, and understanding of what life is all about. This journey leads you to the quest of knowing, and understanding what life holds for you. Life means a lot of things to different people but, this journey called Singlehood is the journey that releases you to seek, find, and enjoy what God have design for your life.

The first stage of Singlehood is what I call Divine Encounter. There is no Singlehood until you have had an Encounter with the source of Life (Christ). This is the starting stage of Singlehood. The reason why this Divine Encounter with the source of Life (Christ) is needed is for you to know, and understand what life is going to be to you, what you need, what you have, what you must embrace, and what you must avoid in other to have a successful Singlehood trip.

Divine Encounter with the Lord (Christ) will first reveal the importance of your **VALUES AND PRIORITY**. This is meant to teach you what to respect, what to protect, and what you must see as threat in this journey called Singlehood. If you are clueless about what your priorities and values are according to Gods expectation, you will never enjoy Singlehood. Cultivating priority and value is not the issue; who is the source of your values and priority? Is it the influence of the society or it is your personal relationship with the Holy Spirit?

In this journey, you have a pilot and a map. The pilot is the Holy Spirit and the map is the Word of God (Bible). Without these two, you will end up enduring, instead of enjoying the trip called Singlehood. Your personal relationship with the Lord is the source of the provision you will need to survive in this trip called Singlehood.

## AN OPPORTUNITY

Singlehood is an opportunity to discover, learn, stretch, and explore your gifting, talent, creativity, and also deal with your character through God's Word. Don't see Singlehood as a curse or problem. Singlehood is not the function of age but the function of mindset, and your readiness to take the responsibility of your life.

This is an opportunity to discover the purpose for your existence. This is an opportunity for you to discover your calling in Christ Jesus. This is an opportunity for you to discover your vision, and assignment according to the intention of God before He formed, you into your mother's womb. This is an opportunity to lay the foundation of your life according to the Word of God. This is an opportunity to cultivate your talents, and creativity constantly. This is an opportunity to build your priority, and values through the understanding of God's word. This is an opportunity to learn the principle guarding your life. This is the opportunity to ask the Lord the clarity of the direction of your life

The absence of who to date or marry is never a disadvantage but a plus. There are things you will never have the opportunity of learning, changing, and adjusting if you step out of the stage of Singlehood. Some opportunity will be lost forever, some freedom will be withheld from you and some benefit will cease. Singlehood is a season to enjoy the discovering, learning, preparation and the planning of your future hand in hand with the Lord.

This is an opportunity to learn how the Lord has design your emotions to function. This is when to discover and learn how the Lord wants you to think, desire, and make decisions. This is when to discover, and understand your path in Life and Destiny. This is the time to discover how to understand the kind of future God is leading you. This is the time you ask the Lord for the details, and specification that is attached to your life. This is an opportunity that you must guard with all your strength.

Some people think that the greatest problem is a delayed marriage or dating. I stand to disagree with that mindset. The greatest problem is when to step out of the stage of Singlehood without you discovering, learning and understanding all you were suppose to get in the single stage. That is the real curse because the next phase of life called adulthood or marriage or relationship will not forgive for it. There is no two ways about this, you either learn in your Singlehood or you suffer in the next phase called adulthood or marriage or relationship.

#### A GIFT OF TIME

The real question is not why am I still single? The real question, what am I suppose to learn in this single stage that I have not yet learnt? For the sake of God's mercy, God intentionally delay some people just to make sure they don't regret in future. Don't be in a hurry to leave the single phase. Always be ready to learn all that Singlehood has to teach you.

Singlehood is a gift of time the Lord gives to you for the purpose of personal development. In this phase is when you must learn to

understand how God loves you. Within this gift of time is when you learn to treat, and think about yourself just the same way God treats, and think about you. Within this gift of time is when you learn how to value yourself according to the way the Lord value you. This is when you learn to invest into yourself.

This is the time you learn how to be responsible, and accountable to God about how you treat yourself, what you think about yourself, and how you treat, and think about other people. This is when you learn how to respect, and manage your own time. This is when you learn how to love yourself. This is when you learn how to invest time, and resources into your own personal development. This is when you learn how to be yourself, and be comfortable with your kind of person without feeling inferior or superior to any one.

This is gift of time can not be bought again once you lose it. You can't beg for it neither can it be restore to you once, you step out of the Singlehood. If you don't learn at the single phase, you suffer in future and there is no two ways about this.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF SINGLEHOOD? It is to discover, learn, prepare, and execute the sole purpose why God created you into existence. Singlehood is the foundation of life, and whatsoever is compromised at that phase is for life. It can't be taken out or repair easily.

#### A SEED

Singlehood is a seed of time, effort, strength and resources. What you use the Singlehood to achieve or do will tell in your marriage or adulthood or old age. Any thing you do in your Singlehood will never be a waste (either good or bad).

What many adults or married people are regretting is the harvest of what they used their Singlehood to do. God can never be mocked, and you

can't deceive people for long. Secretly or openly, whatsoever you use your Singlehood to do, will yield harvest either in your marriage or adulthood. To even make the matter more serious, the harvest of the things you did or say in Singlehood can affect your unborn children, when they show up in marriage. It is not just you reaping what you sow, you reap the same measure of quality of what you sow, and sometimes the harvest will even be more than what you planted.

Don't be confused when I talk about seed. The way you treat people is a seed. The way you talk to people is a seed. The way you apologize easily to people is a seed. The way you are so unforgiving even when you are not the one that is at fault is a seed. The way you don't always admit your faults, and mistakes is a seed. The way you treat those that offend you is a seed. The way you treat your siblings and parents is a seed.

The way you pray so much or the way you avoid praying is a seed. The way you are rooted in studying the bible or the way you make excuses for not studying the bible is a seed. The way you think is a seed. The way you make decisions is a seed. The way you behave is a seed. What you say and how you say what you say is a seed. What you do and how you do what you do is a seed. The decisions you refused to make is a seed. The decisions you delayed before you made is a seed.

Delayed obedience to the Word of God is a seed. The way you manipulate people is a seed. The way you lie to people is a seed. The way you use your anger to control people to do what you want is a seed. The way you think you are always right and everybody is wrong is a seed. The way you shift blames on people for what you are the cause is a seed. The information you give your listening ears to is a seed. The information you despised from listening to is a seed. The gossiping you listened to even thou you didn't contribute to the gossiping is a seed. The way you discouraged someone from pursuing their vision just because you feel intimidated is a seed.

The people you helped is a seed. Those you offended is a seed and those that offended you is a seed. Whatsoever you did to people or whatsoever people have done to you are all seeds. Your focus is a seed. Your distraction is a seed. Your excuses are seed. Your fear is a seed. Your doubt is a seed. Your worries are seeds. Your confusion is a seed. Your ignorance is a seed. The person you gave up on is a seed. The person you mocked is a seed. The person you encouraged is a seed. The person you cheated is a seed.

The total sum of every activity within the stage of your Singlehood is a seed that your experience in marriage, dating, adulthood or old age will depend on. The quality in the phase of your Singlehood is the prophecy of your future. Your success or failure is predictable through the healthy or unhealthy state of your Singlehood.

There is time for everything, don't jump the process. There is a purpose for Singlehood; discover it, prepare in it and fulfill the purpose of Singlehood before you move to the next phase of your life. Life is a journey and Singlehood is just a phase within that journey. This is not all Singlehood entails but these are few point the Holy Spirit has inspired me to pen down. Keep searching, keep learning, keep preparing, and keep fulfilling the purpose of Singlehood.

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