Census Data on Singleness, Marriage, & Family

**Single Life**

**105 million** -- Number of unmarried people in America eighteen and older in 2013. This group made up 44% of all U.S. residents eighteen and older.

**53%** -- Percentage of unmarried U.S. residents eighteen and older who were women in 2013; 47% were men.

**62%** -- Percentage of unmarried U.S. residents eighteen and older in 2013 who had never been married. Another 24% were divorced, and 14% were widowed.

**18 million** -- Number of unmarried U.S. residents sixty-five and older in 2013. These seniors made up 17% of all unmarried people eighteen and older.

**87** -- Number of unmarried men eighteen and older for every 100 unmarried women in the United States in 2013.

**57 million** -- Number of households maintained by unmarried men and women in 2013. These households comprised 46% of households nationwide.

**34 million** -- Number of people who lived alone in 2013. They comprised 27% of all households, up from 17% in 1970.

**Parenting**

**36%** -- Percentage of women fifteen to fifty with a birth in the last twelve months, as of 2012, who were widowed, divorced or never married.

**39%** -- Percentage of opposite-sex, unmarried-partner couples in 2013 that lived with at least one biological child of either partner.

**816,000** -- Number of unmarried grandparents who were responsible for most of the basic care of a coresident grandchild in 2012. Thirty percent of coresident grandparents responsible for their grandchildren were unmarried.

**Unmarried Couples**

**7 million** -- Number of unmarried-partner households in 2012. Of this number, 639,000 were same-sex households.

data: [http://www.census.gov/hhes/families/data/cps2013A.html](http://www.census.gov/hhes/families/data/cps2013A.html)
Introduction by Stephen Hague and Mark Deckard (8:00-8:15)

Session 1 – Theological Purpose of Marriage (8:15-9:30)
- Sacred Marriage: God’s Purpose for Marriage: More Than We Can Imagine by Gary Thomas
- Rooted in Worship by Paul Tripp
- Interaction/discussion
  Break (9:30-9:45)

Session 2 – Contemporary Issues for Men & Women in Relationship (9:45-10:40)
- Renewing Men: the Gospel Call by Eric Mason
- Radically Single: Authentic Christianity as Men and Women by David Platt
- Interaction/discussion
  Break (10:40-10:50)

Session 3 – Contemporary Cultural Perspectives on Marriage (10:50-11:40)
- Meaning of Marriage in Gospel Focus by Tim Keller
- Interaction/discussion
  Break and Voices of Faith (11:40-11:45)

Session 4 - Cultural influences and Implications for Marriage (11:45-12:30)
- Cross-cultural Marriage and the Gospel by Trillia Newbell
- Cultural influences on Marriage by Mark Deckard and Pastor Rodney Pearce
  Drawing for books (12:30)

Discussion/Interaction Panel – Mark Deckard, Pastor Rodney Pearce. Moderator: Tracy Kelly (President of Student Council)

Video Speakers
- Gary Thomas – Dr. Thomas completed his Master’s work in systematic Theology at Regent College (Vancouver) and has an honorary Doctorate from Western Seminary. He is author of Sacred Marriage and other books and is the writer in residence at Second Baptist Church, Houston, Tx.
- Paul Tripp – Dr. Tripp has an M.Div. from Reformed Episcopal Seminary and a D.Min. from Westminster Theological Seminary. Seminary lecturer, author, speaker and he is currently President of Paul Tripp Ministries, Professor of Pastoral Life and Care at Redeemer Seminary, and Executive Director of the Center for Pastoral Life and Care.
- Eric Mason – Dr. Mason completed his M.Div. at Dallas Theological Seminary and his Doctoral degree at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Pastor, author, speaker, he is currently the Lead Pastor of Epiphany Fellowship Church in the Philadelphia area.
- David Platt – Dr. Platt completed his M.Div., Th.M., and Ph.D. at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is currently the President of the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.
- Tim Keller – Dr. Keller completed his Master’s at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and his Doctorate at Westminster Theological Seminary. He is the Founding Pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Manhattan, NY (1989) and is also Director of Mercy Ministries for the Presbyterian Church in America.
- Trillia Newbell – Trillia is the Director of Community Outreach for the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission for the Southern Baptist Convention.

Live Speakers
- Mark Deckard – Faculty member at FTS, also an Adjunct Faculty at Lancaster Bible College and involved in Biblical counseling ministry for thirty-two years.
- Rodney Pearce – Pastor Rodney is the Associate Pastor of Family Ministry at Calvary Bible Church in East Prospect, PA and originally hails from down under – Australia.