

**EVERY GENERATION: How to Date for Jesus** Pastor Daniel Olson  
Text: James 1:14-18 (page 1011)

We were created for intimacy.

It was nothing. Ecclesiastes 2:1

We make different decisions when we're desperate. Isaiah 55:8-9

Our intimacy with each other flows from our intimacy with God.

How to date (or not) without desperation. James 1:16-17

Finding intimacy with God is not complicated. John 17:21

Dating without Desperation:

1. Makes you a confident and fulfilled single person.
2. Enables you to handle your relationship with sexual purity.
3. Changes who you date.
4. Changes your goal in dating.
5. Causes you to better handle conflict.

You can be single and totally satisfied. Psalm 16

**Food for Thought for the week of June 11, 2017**  
(Questions and Scriptures for further study and discussion.)

1. Parents, how did the conversation about dating go with your kids? What is your plan if your kids aren't quite there yet? When your parents discussed dating with you, how did that conversation go?

2. How is the current dating culture different than when you were dating? If you're dating now, has your experience been good or frustrating?

3. Solomon describes his experiences in relationships and finds them all to be nothing. How does that correlate with our current circumstance?

4. In what ways do you try to find satisfaction in your significant other, or in other relationships, that can only be found in Jesus?

5. Psalm 16 says, "In Your presence there is fullness of joy." Are you living as though you believe only God can satisfy? If not, how can you change your attitude or way of thinking?

6. Culture says, "Sex makes you loved and desired." Who does Jesus say that you are?

7. What story do you want to tell? What are you passing on?

For further study: Philippians 1:9-11, Isaiah 55:8-9, John 17:21