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RESONATE MAGAZINE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Use these discussion questions to dig deeper into the articles in your small group, church gathering or personal reflection.

Pucker Up – the power, pleasure and pain of romance (or lack thereof) on the mission field but Michelle Farrall

1. Do you think there is The One out there, somewhere, waiting for you to stumble across?
2. Is one of the essential criteria on your 'Perfect-Partner Checklist' that he/she must have the same 'Call'?
3. Was Suzi crazy for giving up her one-true-love for the adventures of S.E. Asia?
4. Paul, in 1 Corinthians 7, talks about the merits of being single. How do you know if you're 'called to be single'?
5. Would you, like Pam Gallagher, head off for mission in a remote African village despite feeling "no specific call"?
6. Barry says: *"I think it's important in a relationship that both partners are open to the call of the other person – men specifically."* Can God talk to you about calling through someone else's call? Why do you think Barry singled out men specifically to be open to this?
7. Share some stories of people you know (or even your own story – "I have this friend...") who have been through tough times in their relationships due to different "callings". What lessons have you learnt from their stories?
8. Do you know people who have given up their "calling" for mission because their partner did not feel the same?
9. What are the advantages of having a partner when tackling the unknowns of cross-cultural mission?
10. What are the advantages of being single when you're involved in cross-cultural mission?
11. What sort of pressure do you observe in our culture for young Christians to find a wife/husband and settle down? What sort of effect does this have on people responding to the missions call?

