

Review

36. Some say that since the Bible only forbids excess use of alcohol, then it is OK for moderate use. How would you answer and what Scriptures would you use?

- Using this reasoning, one could argue it is OK to be wicked or be a squanderer.
- Eccl. 7:17 “Do not be excessively wicked”
- 1 Pet. 4:4 “you do not run with them into the same excess of dissipation”

35. What is one of the best set of Scriptures to show that wine in the Bible may NOT be alcoholic?

John 2:1-10

31. What is the phrase in Gal. 5:19,21 that states the consequences for those involved with drunkenness and carousing?

Shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

34. Drinking affect having an active and capable mind. According to Rom. 12:2, how are we transformed as Christians and for what purpose?

1. Renewing of your mind.
2. Prove what the will of God is.

33. What are some characteristics of those who drink alcoholic wine according to Prov. 23:29-35?

1. woe
2. sorrow
3. contentions
4. complaining
5. wounds w/o cause
6. eyes see strange things
7. mind utter perverse things
8. strike me but I did not become ill
9. beat me but I did not know it
10. when shall I awake
11. seek another drink

“The Long Arms of Worldliness”



Drug Abuse

OBJECTIVE:

URGE CHRISTIANS TO BEWARE OF
AND AVOID DRUG ABUSE EITHER
ILLEGAL OR PRESCRIBED.

Definitions

"Drug"

"1. any substance used as a medicine or as an ingredient in medicine.

"3. a narcotic, hallucinogen, etc., esp. one that is habit-forming" Webster's New World Dict., 1982.

Definitions

Drug Abuse

"Use of drugs for non-medical reasons in an attempt to influence the body and mind, to alter the emotions, change the senses, or escape reality."

IMPORTANCE OF THE MIND

2 Co 4:16

Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

- Highlight the two parts of man and underline in same color what is happening to each.

IMPORTANCE OF THE MIND

Matt. 13:15

15 FOR THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE HAS BECOME DULL, AND WITH THEIR EARS THEY SCARCELY HEAR, AND THEY HAVE CLOSED THEIR EYES LEST THEY SHOULD SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART AND RETURN, AND I SHOULD HEAL THEM.

- Highlight in the following Scriptures what **exhortation** is given concerning the mind and/or what vital part is it said to play in our **salvation** and service to God.

IMPORTANCE OF THE MIND

John 6:44-45

44 “No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.

45 “It is written in the prophets, ‘AND THEY SHALL ALL BE TAUGHT OF GOD.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me.

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IMPORTANCE OF THE MIND

Rom. 12:1-2

1 I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the **renewing of your mind**, that you may **prove what the will of God** is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

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Eph. 4:23-24

23 and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

24 and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

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I Pet. 1:13

13 Therefore, gird your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

IMPORTANCE OF THE MIND

Heb. 8:10

10 “FOR THIS IS THE COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAYS THE LORD: I WILL PUT MY LAWS INTO THEIR MINDS, AND I WILL WRITE THEM UPON THEIR HEARTS. AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE.

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TO RUIN THE MIND'S ABILITY TO
FUNCTION AS GOD DESIGNED IT IS TO
SEAL THE DOOM OF ONE'S PRESENT
AND ETERNAL DESTINY!

Eternal Consequences.

Gal. 5:19, 21

19 Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,

21 envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you just as I have forewarned you that those who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

- These passages were used in the Lesson on Drinking.
- Which phrase would include drug abuse, though not specifically mentioned?

Characteristics of Drunkenness Similar to Drug Abuse.

Gen. 9:20

20 Then Noah began farming and planted a vineyard.

21 And he drank of the wine and became drunk, and uncovered himself inside his tent.

- Highlight the characteristics of drunkenness in the following 7 Scriptures.

Prov. 23:33a

33 Your eyes will see strange things, ...

Prov. 23:33b

33 ... And your mind will utter perverse things.

Characteristics of Drunkenness Similar to Drug Abuse.

Prov. 23:34

34 And you will be like one who lies down in the middle of the sea, Or like one who lies down on the top of a mast.

- Highlight the characteristics of drunkenness in the following 7 Scriptures.

Prov. 23:35

35 “They struck me, but I did not become ill; They beat me, but I did not know it

Isa. 19:14

14 The LORD has mixed within her a spirit of distortion; They have led Egypt astray in all that it does, As a drunken man staggers in his vomit.

Ps. 107:27

27 They reeled and staggered like a drunken man, And were at their wits' end.

Destructive to Conscience.

Eph. 4:17-19

17 This I say therefore, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind,

18 being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God, because of the **ignorance** that is in them, because of the **hardness of their heart;**

19 and they, having **become callous,** have given themselves over to sensuality, for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

- **Highlight** what had happened to the Gentiles?

Destructive to Conscience.

I Tim. 1:18,19

18 This command I entrust to you, Timothy, my son, in accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may fight the good fight,

19 keeping faith and a good conscience, which some have rejected and suffered shipwreck in regard to their faith.

- Highlight what happens when one loses a good conscience?