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The Sobering Truth about Alcohol**Dealing with Addiction - Part 3

**Intro** – Alcohol is still the addiction of choice.

 Marketers of alcohol are clever. For example:

 1.

 2.

 3.

 4.

 5.

 Due to its negative effects, companies have created “caring” type ads. For example:

 1.

 2.

 3.

 4.

## Statistics - Real life effects of alcohol addiction:

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| 1. Alcohol 2. 28% 3. 40% 4. 12% 5. 30%  | 6. Consumption linked to 7. 50% 8. $175 billion 9. 1/3 10. Alcohol is  |

## Is Drinking a Sin?

Not a question asked by non-Christians.

 - I Peter 1:13

 - I Peter 5:8

 - I Ephesians 5:18

 - Proverbs 20:1

 - Proverbs 23:29-35

## Sinful – Yes or No?

A. Yes – Reasons:

 1.

 2.

 3.

 4.

5.

B. No – Reasons:

 1.

 2.

C. Common responses to the defense of alcohol use.

 1.

 2.

 3.

 4.

D. What did Jesus do?

 John 2:1-11

 1. Jesus used wine

 2. The wine Jesus used

 3. The Jews would

 - Matthew 24:49

 4. No reason to think

E. What about Paul’s instruction to Timothy?

- I Timothy 5:23

- Proverbs 3:16

## How do we decide?

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| **5 Best Reason to Drink Alcohol**1. Makes
2. Tastes
3. Most people
4. Alcohol is
5. Everybody
 | **5 Best Reasons Not to Drink Alcohol**1. Alcohol is
2. Alcohol is
3. Alcohol does
4. The Bible  - I Corinthians 6:10
5. Christians
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I regret

If you drink

If you don’t drink

I Peter 4:7