

Crying Time

Philippians 3

17: chief example is Lord (2:5-8)

18-19: unapproved examples to avoid –

- Number: **many**. Epidemic of immorality
- Character: **enemies of cross**. Lk.9:23
- Reaction: **weeping** (bad example slanders...)
- Destiny: **destruction**. Ro.6:21
- God: **belly**
- Glory: **shame**
- Concern: **earthly things**

Philippians 3

20: Philippians viewed Rome as home...

21: "...we shall be like Him for we shall see Him as He is," 1 Jn.3:2

If Jesus were on earth today,
would we be like Him?

I. Attitude Toward Bible

Phil.1:5

- Fellowship in gospel walks with God, agrees with God
- Some want Bible for wedding, not for marriage ... for funeral, not for life ... for Sunday, not for Monday ...

I. Attitude Toward Bible

II. Attitude Toward Bible Authority

Phil.1:7

- Defense: verbal defense
 - Remove doubts of enemies
- Confirmation / guarantee: “teach it right”
 - Mere lip service does not save

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II. Attitude Toward Bible Authority

III. Attitude Toward
Knowledge of Bible

Phil.1:9

- *Abound* in knowledge
- Some Christians don't leave home without *American Express* . . .

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III. Attitude Toward Knowledge of Bible

IV. Attitude Toward Sin

Phil.1:27, in harmony with, worthy...

1. Encroachment? Ro.14:23
2. Expedient? 1 Co.6:12a
3. Enslavement? 1 Co.6:12b
4. Endangerment? 1 Co.6:18-20
5. Example? 1 Co.8:9 (1 Tim.4:12)
6. Edification? 1 Co.10:23
7. Evangelism? 1 Co.10:27-30
8. Exaltation? 1 Co.10:31 (Mt.5:16)
9. Excess? Hb.12:1-2 (don't look back)
10. Equivocation? 1 Pt.2:16 (covering for evil)
11. Emulation? 1 Jn.2:16

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V. Application of Principles

Movies

Ps.101:3, I will set nothing wicked before my eyes; I hate the work of those who fall away; It shall not cling to me.

- “What I see doesn’t affect me.”

Mixed swimming

Mt.5:27 You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not commit adultery.'
28 But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart

Immodest dress

Gn.3:7, Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings . . .

Gn.3:21, Also for Adam and his wife the LORD God made tunics of skin, and clothed them ...

- “An inner garment next the skin...also worn by women... generally with sleeves, coming down to the knees, rarely to the ankles” – Gesenius, 420

Immodest dress

- World judges us by clothes we wear.
Gn.38:13-19
- World often admits what is immodest.
Prov.7:10, ...woman met him, With the attire of a harlot...
- [a practical commentary on Gn.38]
- Mt.5:28, But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart

Visitor's dress code

“All pants, shorts, skirts, and dresses must be knee-length or longer. Sleeveless shirts and dresses, tube tops, halter tops, tank tops, and shirts or dresses w. spaghetti straps are prohibited. Any clothing made of spandex, or other skin tight bicycle shorts type material is prohibited. Cut-off shorts are prohibited. Any clothing or other items displaying gang-related symbols or themes, or vulgar or objectionable language is prohibited. Undergarments are required of all visitors”

– Rutherford County Adult Detention Center

Pornography

Gal.5:16, lust... (“Walk in the Spirit and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh”)

Prov.6:25, do not lust after her beauty in your heart...

Dancing

Gal.5:19, lewdness...sensuality (ESV; NASB)

- 'wanton (acts or) manners, as filthy words, indecent bodily movements, unchaste handling of males and females, etc.' – Th.

Alcohol abuse

1 Pt.4:3 For we have spent enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles—when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries. 4 In regard to these, they think it strange that you do not run with them in the same flood of dissipation, speaking evil of you. 7, But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.

to drink no wine; be sober – L-S

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1 Pt.3:1 Wives, likewise, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives,
2 when they observe your chaste conduct accompanied by fear.

Conclusion

A few years ago: when child finished elementary school, he had seen 8000 murders and 100,000 acts of violence on TV [not counting tons of immorality.]

Ted Turner, Congressional Hearing: TV is “the single most significant factor contributing to violence in America.”

Today: must revise it to include . . .

peers

phone

computers

internet