



## Introduction

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Once we are born again, we leave behind our old sinful nature. But this does not mean that we are free from sexual temptations, or that we are automatically free from addictions to drugs such as alcohol. But in our new nature, and especially through the guidance of the HOLY SPIRIT and the Bible, we learn how to enjoy sex and alcohol within the biblical limits. Once we learn this, we can turn something that the world enjoys as addictive and as drugs, into something which can indeed be a blessing.

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## Negative Passages

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<p><b>Comments</b></p> <p>Alcohol is rather meant to be a gift, but can quickly lead you astray. A Christian should NEVER be drunk and should know, but never experience his limits.</p> <p>The Bible describes 'too much' through terms such as 'becoming drunk', 'excess / riotous' (Strong's G810), 'filling ourselves', 'indulging', 'staggering', 'trembling'.</p>	<p>A poor man loves mirth, <b>loving wine</b> and oil in abundance; and a transgressor is the <b>abomination</b> of a righteous man.</p> <p><i>Do not look at wine when it is red, when it sparkles on the cup, going down smoothly. In the end, it will bite like a serpent, and it will sting like an adder. Your eyes will see strange things, and your heart will speak perverse things. And you will be like him who lies down in the heart of the sea, and like him who lies down on top of a mast. "They struck me; I was not hurt. They beat me; I did not know it. When I will awake, I will continue; I will seek it again."</i></p> <p><i>Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine, and valiant men in mixing strong drink ...</i></p> <p><i>Wine and new wine take away the understanding.</i></p> <p><i>All things to me are lawful, but <b>all things are not profitable</b>; all things to me are lawful, but all things do not build up ...</i></p>	<i>Pro 21:17</i> <i>Pro 23:30-35</i> <i>Isa 5:22</i> <i>Hos 4:11</i> <i>1Cor 10:23</i>	
	<b>Wine / Strong Drink</b>		
	<p>Strong's G3631, OINOC, <b>oinos</b>, A primary word (or perhaps of Hebrew origin [H3196]); "wine" (literally or figuratively): - <b>wine</b>.</p> <p>Strong's H3196, <b>yayin</b>, From an unused root meaning to effervesce; wine (as fermented); by implication intoxication: - banqueting, wine, wine [-bibber].</p>	<p><i>And Noe began to be a husbandman, and he planted a vineyard. And he drank of the wine, and was drunk, and was naked in his house. And Cham the father of Chanaan saw the nakedness of his father, and he went out and told his two brothers outside. And Sem and Japheth having taken a garment, put it on both their backs and went backwards, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their face was backward, and they saw not the nakedness of their father. And Noe recovered from the wine, and knew all that his younger son had done to him. And he said, Cursed be the servant Chanaan, a slave shall he be to his brethren.</i></p> <p><i>[Old Covenant Nazirite Laws] he will abstain from <b>wine</b> and fermented drink; he will not drink <b>wine</b> vinegar or vinegar of fermented drink; he will not drink the fruit juice of grapes [clear differentiation to alcoholic drink] or eat fresh or dry grapes.</i></p> <p><i>Ah! Those who rise early in the morning, they pursue strong drink. Those who linger in the evening, <b>wine</b> inflames them. They have lyre and harp, tambourine and flute and wine at their feasts, but they do not regard the deeds of KYRIOS, or see the work of His hands.</i></p>	<i>Gen 9:20-25</i> <i>Num 6:3</i> <i>Isa 5:11-12</i>
	<p>Strong's H7941, <b>shēkār</b>, From H7937; an intoxicant, that is, intensely <b>alcoholic liquor</b>: - strong drink, + drunkard, strong wine.</p>	<p><b>Wine is a mocker, strong drink</b> a brawler, and any who go astray by it are not wise.</p> <p><i>"Come, let me take wine, and let us carouse with <b>intoxicating drink</b>, and tomorrow will be like today, very great indeed."</i></p>	<i>Pro 20:1</i> <i>Isa 56:12</i>
	<b>Drinking Sessions</b>		
	<p>Strong's H5435, <b>sōbē</b>', From H5433; potation, concretely (wine), or abstractly (carousal): - <b>drink</b>, drunken, wine.</p> <p>Strong's G3632, <b>oinophlugia</b>, An overflow (or surplus) of wine, that is, <b>vinolency (drunkenness)</b>: - excess of wine.</p>	<p><i>When their <b>drinking</b> has ended, they surely <b>indulge</b> in sexual orgies. They love <b>lewdness</b> more than their glory.</i></p> <p><i>For, sufficient, is the bygone time - to have wrought out, the will of the nations, having gone on in wanton ways, covetings, <b>wine-drinkings</b>, revellings, drinking-bouts, and impious idolatries ...</i></p>	<i>Hos 4:18</i> <i>1Pet 4:3</i>
<p>Strong's H7910, <b>shikkōr</b>, From H7937; <b>intoxicated</b>, as a state or a habit: - <b>drunk</b> (-ard, -en, -en man).</p> <p>Strong's H7937, <b>shākar</b>, A primitive root; to <b>become tipsy</b>; in a qualified sense, to satiate with a stimulating drink or (figuratively) influence. (Superlative of H8248): - (be filled with) drink (abundantly), (be, make) drunk (-en), be merry.</p> <p>Strong's G3178, <b>methē</b>, Apparently a primary word; an intoxicant, that is, (by implication) intoxication: - drunkenness.</p> <p>Strong's G3182 - G3184, <b>methuskō</b>, A prolonged (transitive) form of G3184; to <b>intoxicate</b>: - be drunk (-en).</p> <p>Strong's H5433, <b>sâbâ</b>', A primitive root; to quaff to satiety, that is, become tipsy: - <b>drunkard</b>, fill self, Sabean, [wine-] <b>bibber</b>.</p> <p>Strong's G3630, <b>oinopotēs</b>, A tippler: - <b>winebibber</b>.</p> <p>Strong's G3183, <b>methusos</b>, From G3184; tipsy, that is, (as noun) a sot: - <b>drunkard</b>.</p>	<p><b>Drunkenness</b></p> <p><i>Now Hannah had been speaking in her heart; her lips were moving, but her voice could not be heard, so Eli considered her to be drunk.</i></p> <p><i>KYRIOS has mixed a spirit of confusion into her midst, and they have caused Egypt to stagger in all of its doings, as when a <b>drunkard</b> staggers in his vomit.</i></p> <p><i>... All my bones tremble. I have become like a <b>drunken man</b>, even like a man over whom wine has passed ...</i></p> <p><i>... "How long will you behave like someone <b>who is drunk</b>? Put away your wine!"</i></p> <p><i>Woe to him who gives a drink to his neighbors, pouring out your wrath and also making them <b>drunk</b> in order to see their nakedness!</i></p> <p><i>Let us live decently, as in the day, not in carousing and <b>drunkenness</b>, not in sexual immorality and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy.</i></p> <p><i>Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are [...] <b>drunkenness</b> [...] the ones who practice such things will not inherit the Kingdom of THEOS.</i></p> <p><i>And do not be <b>drunk</b> with wine (in which is dissipation), but be filled by the SPIRIT ...</i></p> <p><i>... those who <b>get drunk</b>, are drunken at night.</i></p>	<i>1Sam 1:13</i> <i>Isa 19:14</i> <i>Jer 23:9</i> <i>1Sam 1:14</i> <i>Hab 2:15</i> <i>Rom 13:13</i> <i>Gal 5:19-21</i> <i>Eph 5:18</i> <i>1The 5:7</i>	
	<b>Drunkard / Winebibber</b>		
	<p><i>... 'This our son is stubborn and rebellious; he does not obey us, and he is a glutton and a <b>drunkard</b>.'</i></p> <p><i>Be not among <b>winebibbers</b>; Among <b>riotous</b> eaters of flesh: For the <b>drunkard</b> and the glutton shall come to poverty ...</i></p> <p><i>Come ye, say they, I will <b>fetch wine</b>, and we will <b>fill ourselves</b> with <b>strong drink</b>; and to morrow shall be as this day, and much more abundant.</i></p> <p><i>The SON of man came eating and drinking, and they say: Behold, a man, glutton and <b>wine-drinker</b>, fond of tax collectors and sinners.</i></p> <p><i>... not to associate with any so-called brother, if he is a fornicator or a greedy person or an idolater or an abusive person or a <b>drunkard</b> or a swindler - with such a person not even to eat.</i></p> <p><i>... not <b>drunkards</b>, not abusive persons, not swindlers will inherit the Kingdom of THEOS.</i></p>	<i>Deu 21:20</i> <i>Pro 23:20-21</i> <i>Isa 56:12</i> <i>Mat 11:19</i> <i>1Cor 5:11</i> <i>1Cor 6:10</i>	



## Comments

## Scripture

Alcohol In The Church & Family	Church leaders cannot be addicted to alcohol and are not allowed to drink any alcohol before a church service.  Some churches do extend this rule to an overall prohibition of alcohol for their leaders, but this is adding to the Bible what is not stipulated by THEOS.	<i>Then KYRIOS spoke to Aaron [the Priest], saying, “You and your sons with you <b>may not drink wine or strong drink when you come to the tent of assembly</b>, so that you will not die ... And no priest shall drink <b>wine</b> when they come into the inner courtyard.</i> <i>The saying is trustworthy: if anyone aspires to supervision, he desires a good work. Therefore the overseer must be irreproachable, the husband of one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, skillful in teaching, <b>not addicted to wine</b> [clearly used in the sense of 'moderation', not as overall 'prohibition' as often interpreted; other translations include 'not intemperate in the use of wine' (ABP); G3943 paroinos From G3844 and G3631; staying near wine, that is, tippling (a toper): - given to wine;] ... Deacons likewise must be dignified, not insincere, not devoted to much <b>wine</b> ...</i>	<i>Lev 10:8-9</i> <i>Eze 44:21</i> <i>1Tim 3:1-2</i> <i>1Tim 3:8</i>
	Care for others, be tolerant and do everything for the glory of THEOS.	<i>The one who eats <b>must not despise</b> the one who does not eat, and the one who does not eat <b>must not judge</b> the one who eats, because <b>THEOS has accepted him</b>. It is good <b>not to eat meat or to drink wine</b> or to do anything by which <b>your brother stumbles or is offended or is weakened</b>.</i>	<i>Rom 14:3</i> <i>Rom 14:21</i>
	No alcohol while being pregnant!	<i>Therefore, whether you eat or you drink or whatever you do, <b>do all things for the glory of THEOS</b>.</i>  <i>So then, be careful and <b>do not drink wine or strong drink</b>, and do not eat anything unclean, because you will conceive and bear a son.</i>	<i>1Cor 10:30-32</i> <i>1dg 13:4</i>
Positive Passages	We are to moderately enjoy alcohol.	<i>And Melchizedek, the king of Salem, brought out bread and <b>wine</b>. (He was the priest of THEOS Most High). And he blessed him and said, “Blessed be Abram by THEOS Most High ... You will present a third of the liquid measure of <b>wine</b> for the libation, a fragrance of appeasement for KYRIOS.</i>	<i>Gen 14:18-19</i> <i>Num 15:7</i>
		<i>You may spend the money for anything that you desire, for oxen or for sheep or for <b>wine</b> or for <b>strong drink</b> or for anything that you desire, and you shall eat it there before KYRIOS your THEOS, and <b>you shall rejoice</b>, you and your household.</i> <i>You have put <b>gladness in my heart</b> more than when their grain and their <b>wine</b> abound.</i> <i>... and <b>wine that makes glad</b> the heart of man, so that their faces shine from oil, and bread that strengthens the heart of man.</i>	<i>Deu 14:26</i> <i>Psa 4:7</i> <i>Psa 104:15</i>
Positive Passages		<i>And on this mountain KYRIOS of hosts will make for all peoples a rich feast, a <b>feast of aged wines</b>, fat filled with marrow, filtered aged wine.</i> <i>For John the Baptist has come <b>not eating bread or drinking wine</b>, and you say, ‘He has a demon!’ The SON of Man has come <b>eating and drinking</b>, and you say, ‘Behold, a man who is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of ... sinners!’</i> <i>“Everyone serves the <b>good wine</b> first, and whenever they are <b>drunk</b>, the inferior. You have kept the <b>good wine</b> until now!”</i>	<i>Isa 25:6</i> <i>Luk 7:33-34</i> <i>Joh 2:10</i>
	Wine for medical reasons and for special occasions.	<i>Give <b>strong drink</b> to him who is perishing, and wine to those in bitter distress. He will drink and forget his poverty, and his misery he will not remember any more.</i>	<i>Pro 31:6</i>
		<i>[Speaking to Paul:] (No longer drink only water, but use <b>a little wine</b> for your stomach and your frequent illnesses.)</i>	<i>1Tim 5:23</i>

