

A Reality Check

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Some years ago a service organization in a town in Saskatchewan took a survey of the homes in this town to see if the parents knew where their children were? The children answered and said, they did not know where their parents were. Can we blame the sad scene we have on the teen scene, or ought we to check on what we are doing to guide them in the way of righteousness? Substance abuse has left many of our loving children brain dead and pushing baby buggies. The price of our permissive society is showing its fruit in most devastating ways from which our society may never recover!

Said a whiskey jug to a cigarette, "I'd like to make a good sized bet that I can get more scalps than you although your victims aren't so few." Said the cigarette to the whiskey jug, "Well, that's easy as I could ask, for I give the kids the downward start, then you do your part. They come to you with burning thirst after what they found in the fridge in their homes, but I am the fellow that sees 'em first; so most of them should count for me. I'll take the bet, It's a cinch de'ye see?" Then the whiskey jug had this to say, "I never looked at the thing that way, but I confess you spoke the truth; 'tis you who tackles the foolish youth. You fill their systems with dope and smoke, I mould them into a first class soak."

"We work together far too well to quarrel for even a little spell." So the whiskey jug and the cigarette

shook hands together and offered the bet, and
away they sauntered side by side hunting for victims
far and wide: In every corner of the land they
continued as partners in crime and ruination. So
here's our warning, on the level, Shun them as the devil.

“My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:
For length of days and, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. Let not
mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the
table of thine heart: So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight
of God and man.” Prov. 3:1-4

The choice of parents has, either a positive or negative effect on their
children; therefore “choose, ye this day whom ye will serve.”

Observation

Sadly, the many that have fallen into the trap of substance abuse have
limited their capacity for serious consideration of spiritual matters. In many cases
such develop a very belligerent attitude towards God and His Son.

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