

Substance abuse

What is substance abuse?

1. Genesis 9: 20 - 25

- Who was the first person to get drunk in the Bible?
- What did he do when he was drunk?
- What did Canaan do when he saw Noah? Was he right in doing that?
- How do you think Shem and Japheth feel?
- What did they do, and why do you think they did it?
- What feeling does drunkenness bring onto a family? (S....)
- What did Noah do after he woke up?
- What then were the effects of drunkenness on their family?

2. Isaiah 5: 11 - 12; Proverbs 20: 1; Proverbs 21: 17; Hosea 4: 10 – 12

- What does Isaiah say about getting drunk?
- What does he say about the attitude to the Lord of a person who gets drunk?
- What does Proverbs say about alcohol? Would the same apply to drugs?
- What does Hosea say about alcohol?

3. 1 Peter 5: 8; 1 Peter 1: 13; 1 Peter 4: 7

- What state of mind should we always be in?
- What does that mean?
- If we take drugs or alcohol are our minds sober?
- What reasons does Peter give for needing to have a sober mind?

4. Ephesians 5: 18; Romans 13: 13; 2 Corinthians 7: 1

- What does drunkenness lead to? Explain.
- How does Paul exhort us to live in Romans 13: 13?
- What are we to do according to 2 Corinthians 7: 1?
- What contaminates us?

5. 1 Corinthians 6: 9 – 10; Galatians 5: 21

- According to these verses what are the consequences of substance abuse?

6. John 8: 31 - 36

- Is substance abuse slavery to sin?
- Is there hope for substance abusers?
- What hope is there that they can be free?
- What was Jesus' attitude to those who were in bondage to sin?
- What should our attitude be?