**Drinking**

**Drinking when talk about drinking of alcoholic beverages in manner that is excessive and the underage aspect of drinking. We are aware that drinking is shown in the bible. Everyone is aware that one of the first miracles that Jesus did was to turn the water into wine at the wedding feast. However there are some harmful effects to over indulging and being irresponsible. There are about 88,000 alcohol related deaths per year. A lot of these were avoidable. Sporting events or parties, one must me responsible if they are consuming alcohol and must be of the legal age. Let’s see what the bible says:**

[**Ephesians 5:18**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+5%3A18&version=ESV) **- And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,**

[**Proverbs 20:1**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+20%3A1&version=ESV) **- Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.**

[**Galatians 5:21**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+5%3A21&version=ESV) **- Envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.**

[**Proverbs 23:29-35**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+23%3A29-35&version=ESV) **- Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has strife? Who has complaining? Who has wounds without cause? Who has redness of eyes? Those who tarry long over wine; those who go to try mixed wine. Do not look at wine when it is red, when it sparkles in the cup and goes down smoothly. In the end it bites like a serpent and stings like an adder. Your eyes will see strange things, and your heart utter perverse things. ...**

[**1 Timothy 5:23**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Timothy+5%3A23&version=ESV) **- (No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent ailments.)**

[**1 Peter 5:8**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Peter+5%3A8&version=ESV) **- Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.**

[**1 Corinthians 6:10**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+6%3A10&version=ESV) **- Nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.**

[**Galatians 5:19-21**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+5%3A19-21&version=ESV) **- Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.**

[**Romans 14:21**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+14%3A21&version=ESV) **- It is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble.**

[**Isaiah 5:22**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isaiah+5%3A22&version=ESV) **- Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine, and valiant men in mixing strong drink**

**If you are having a problem with alcohol please seek any of the following:**

**Parents**

**Pastor**

**Guidance Counselor**

**Alcoholic Anonymous - http://www.aa.org/**