

## Principles for Life

*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;  
I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. John 10:10*

### Perspectives to Express through our Lives

Our actions reflect our identity.

1. We have a changed life. Sexually immoral, greedy, drunkards and slanderers will not inherit the kingdom of God. And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 6:9-11
2. Your body is His temple. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit? You are not your own. You were bought at a price. Therefore, glorify God with your body. 1 Cor. 6:19-20
3. You are living in the light. The deeds of darkness include orgies, drunkenness, and sexual immorality. Put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.  
Rom. 13:12-13
4. You have a new nature. The sinful nature cannot please God. Its actions are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, envy, drunkenness, orgies and the like. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Galatians 5:16-26
5. You are controlled by the Spirit. Do not be drunk on wine. Many evils lie along that path. Instead, be filled with and controlled by the Spirit. Eph 5:18

## Questions to Ask about a Questionable Activity.

Our choices reflect our priorities.

1. Is it beneficial?  
Some things may be permissible that are not beneficial, or for your ultimate good. 1 Cor. 10:23
2. Is it constructive?  
Some things may be permissible that are not constructive. They may not make you into a better person. 1 Cor. 10:23
3. Is it helpful to other people?  
Some things may be acceptable in themselves, but could have a bad influence on other people. We don't just do what is good for ourselves but other people so that they may be saved. 1 Cor. 10:24,33
4. Does it bring glory to God?  
So whether you eat or drink, do it all for the glory of God. 1 Cor. 10:31
5. What will I say to God? We will all stand before God's judgment seat. Each of us will give an account of himself to God. Rom. 14:9-12