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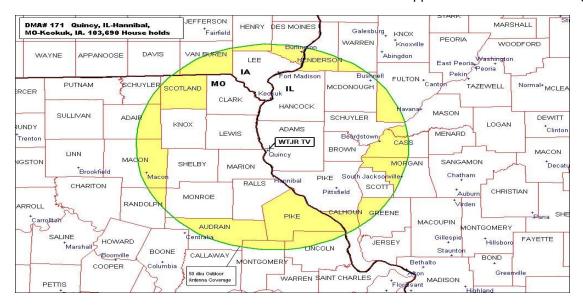
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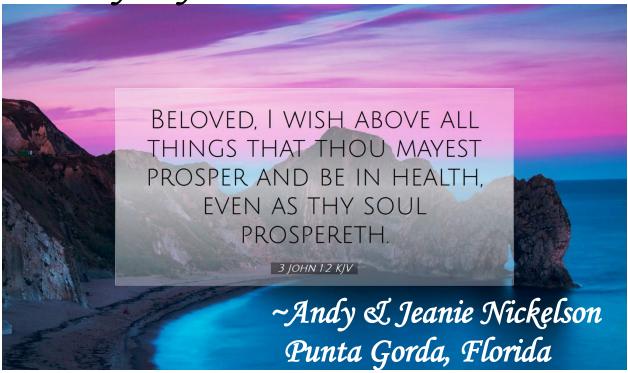
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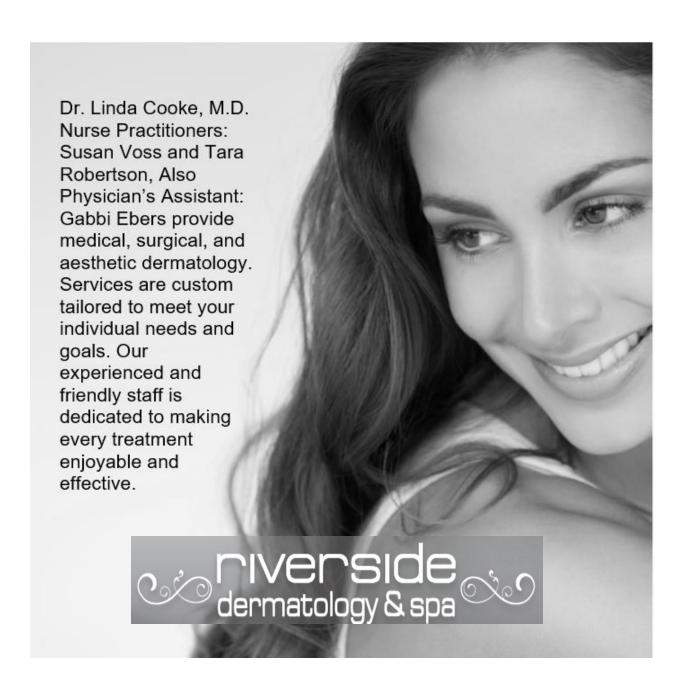
"But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: 2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, 4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!"

This is the face of Addiction-This is the Cause.

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On page 5 we saw in 2 Timothy 3:1-5 said "but know this that perilous times will come" The Greek word for "perilous" means "ragingly insane." This is the cause of many addictions where some people completely lose control of their minds and bodies. Verse 2 said that "men will be lovers of themselves" it says "without self-control." People with addictions have often lost all their self-control. It says "headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God." As we saw on page 5 this is the face of addiction. And definitely this is the cause of addiction.



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Another place the Bible tells us about "The Cause" is in Proverbs 14:12 "There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death." And Ephesians 6:12 explains "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." This explains exactly what the cause of addiction is. We are in a spiritual battle daily, whether you have ever struggled with an addiction or not, due to our sinful nature that we were born with because of Adam and Eve, that is explained thoroughly in Genesis the 3rd chapter. So, when we wake up every morning, we are going into a spiritual battle zone because of our sinful nature that we were born with. But praise God, because of the love of God, He gave us victory over the cause where He gave us the cure in John 3:16-18 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. 18 "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." NKJV.

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But let's go back and look at the cause again. Another place this is shared in the Bible is in 1 John 2:15-18...

"Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever. 18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour."

This passage explains many things in the world we love and have become addicted to many times. It says: "Do not love the world or the things in the world" you see that alone can be an addiction. An addiction is anything that controls our spirit, mind, soul or body, that is, if it is not the love of God. You see John 3:16 said: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." NKJV. As children of God, He is our heavenly Father. Our first love should be for God the Father, Jesus Christ His Son, who is our savior, redeemer and soon coming King, more than anything else in existence. You see 1 John 2:16 "For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes," these are the cause of major addictions.

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This is the major cause of addiction when it talks about the "lust of the flesh and the lust of the eye," this is the cause of sexual and pornography addiction, which is a major problem in the United States today. The number of people in the United States living with sex addiction is currently estimated at 12-30 million. A study found that 4.7 million U.S. adults spend up more than 11 hours per week looking at pornography online. Pornography is a \$15 billion dollar industry. Sexual and pornography addiction is one of the most misunderstood addictions that we work with today. When a person sees a piece of pornography thinks about sexual activity their endorphins in their bloodstream will produce a chemical to their brain which is more powerful than morphine. That means that as they look at a piece of pornography or are thinking about sexual activity, they become drug induced by a drug that their own body is producing. This is just like an alcoholic drinking or a drug addict continuing to use the drug where they are no longer in control. And will do things they would never do when they were sober. Because they are being drug induced by a drug their own body is producing. Many times, this is the cause of people sexually violating people. Again, this is explained in 1 John 2:16 where it says that is "is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever." NKJV

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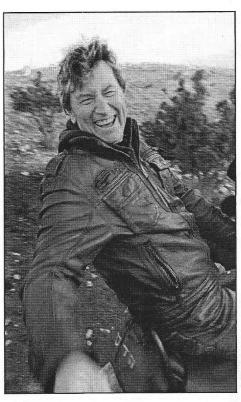
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As we look at the addiction of alcohol, the cause is the same as the other addictions that is driven by our sinful nature which goes clear back to the fall Adam and Eve, as they rebelled against God. And as human beings we have to deal with that sinful nature on a daily basis, wanting to fulfill the desires of our flesh. Again, the Bible says in Proverbs 14:12 "'There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death." Now let's look at some facts. More than 140,000 people die from excessive alcohol use each year in the United States.



"Excessive Drinking is Draining the U.S. Economy" *
"The cost of excessive alcohol use in the United States
reached \$249 billion in the year 2010 alone." *

In Loving Memory



Bruce McKenna lived his life to the fullest. He always said he had been blessed with nine lives. At an early age when most boys were still playing cowboys and Indians, he began drinking alcohol. Heartbroken by the loss of his family, he turned to anything he could to numb his pain. By the time he was in high school he was experimenting with drugs and partying harder then most could handle. For the next 25 years he would be trapped in a vicious cycle of drug abuse and broken marriages while trying to raise 2 little boys. At the age of 41, as he put it, he CAME TO! At a drug rehabilitation center he gave his life to Jesus Christ along with all his brokenness. For the next 21 years he would share his story of victory and redemption with everyone he met. For years he would volunteer and love on the ladies every other Thursday night at the same drug rehabilitation center where he found his help.

He met the love of his life, Donita, and spent the last 17 years of his life ministering with her.

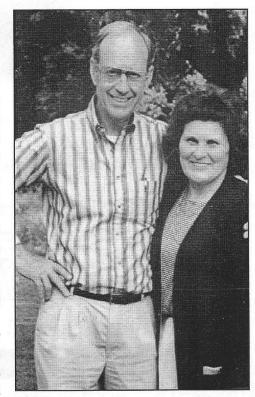
In 2014 Bruce was diagnosed with leukemia. It never changed him, he just changed the location of his ministry. He began loving on doctors, nurses and other patients.

Bruce, surrounded by his family and loved ones, went home to be with Jesus on May 22, 2017.

Rev. Francis Sheppard spent 64 of his 88 years on earth reaching toward the prize of the high calling. Just like his hero Apostle Paul, Bro. Sheppard never felt like he had ever attained and carried his cross with great humility.

He was saved on a Navy ship in 1954 by a Baptist boy who faithfully discipled him daily. Around this same time his father would die and he would meet his future wife, Eva, at a small cafe after the funeral. He never would have dreamed how much he was going to need her the next 64 years because God called them to pastor in their hometown of Pleasant Hill, IL. Bro. Sheppard built 2 churches while raising 5 children. He was a faithful husband, a loving father and a humble-servant pastor to his congregation and his community. He had a passion for the foreign fields and went on many mission trips building churches and homes in Mexico. God later in life lead him and his wife to the Philippines where they would be great encouragement and financial support to a church and street feeding program for over 30 years.

Bro. Sheppard went home to be with his Lord and savior on Oct. 23, 2017. He was faithful to the end and left us with one final message to live by: don't ever covet because God supplies all our needs, don't complain, because God is our source, and don't criticize, because the devil is doing it all the time.



The Effects of Alcoholism Continued: Drunk Driving in the

U.S. by: Fatalities in Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Crashes, by Role, 2020



U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Role	Number	Percent
Alcohol-Impaired Drivers	7,281	62%
Passengers Riding With Alcohol-Impaired Drivers	1,543	13%
Subtotal	8,824	76%
Occupants of Other Vehicles	1,605	14%
Nonoccupants (pedestrians/pedalcyclists/other)	1,225	11%
Total Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Fatalities	11,654	100%

Source: FARS 2020 ARF

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100 percent due to individual rounding.

Key Findings

- In 2020 there were 11,654 fatalities in motor vehicle traffic crashes in which at least one driver was alcohol-impaired. This totaled 30 percent of all traffic fatalities in the United States for the year.
- Fatalities in alcohol-impaired-driving crashes increased by 14.3 percent (10,196 to 11,654 fatalities) from 2019 to 2020.
- One alcohol-impaired-driving fatality occurred every 45 minutes in 2020, on average.
- The 21- to 24-year-old age group and the 25- to 34-year-old age group had the highest percentages (26% each) of alcohol-impaired drivers involved in fatal crashes compared to other age groups in 2020.
- In 2020 there were 4 male alcoholimpaired drivers involved for every female alcohol-impaired driver involved. When compared to all drivers involved

- in fatal crashes, there were 3 male drivers for every female driver.
- The percentages of alcohol-impaired drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2020 was the highest for motorcycle riders (27%), compared to drivers of passenger cars (23%), light trucks (19%), and large trucks (3%).
- Of the 1,093 traffic fatalities in 2020 among children 14 and younger, 21 percent (229) occurred in alcohol-impaireddriving crashes.
- In 2020, among the 11,654 alcoholimpaired-driving fatalities, 67 percent (7,831) were in crashes in which at least one driver had a BAC of .15 g/dL or higher.
- The rate of alcohol impairment among drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2020 was 3.1 times higher at night than during the day.

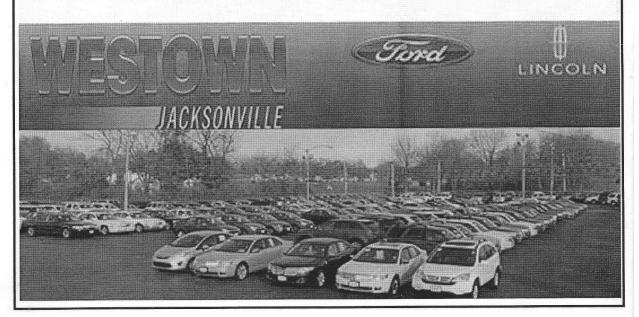
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Excessive Alcohol Use Men's Health Risks

Source: https://www.cdc.gov/alcohol/fact-sheets/mens-health.htm

Men are more likely than women to drink excessively. Excessive drinking is associated with significant risks to men's health and safety, and the risks increase with the amount of alcohol consumed. Men are also more likely than women to take other risks (such as misusing other substances, having multiple sex partners, or not wearing a seat belt), that when combined with alcohol, further increase their risk of illness, injury or death. 2-5

There are more than 380 deaths each day in the US due to excessive alcohol use.

Alcohol is Associated with Injury, Violence, and Other Harms

- Men have higher rates of alcohol-related hospitalizations than women.⁶
- More than three-quarters of deaths from excessive drinking are among males, totaling more than 97,000 deaths each year in the U.S.⁷
- Among drivers in fatal motor vehicle traffic crashes, men are 50% more likely to have been intoxicated (i.e., a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08% or greater) compared with women.⁸
- Excessive alcohol consumption increases
- aggression and may increase the risk of physically assaulting another person.⁹ Alcohol is a key risk factor for sexual violence perpetration.¹⁰
- Males are more than three times as likely to die by suicide than females, and more likely to have been drinking prior to suicide.¹¹⁻¹³
- Alcohol use is one of the most important preventable risk factors for cancer.¹⁴ Alcohol
 use increases the risk of cancer of the mouth, throat, esophagus, liver, and colon, which
 are more common among men.^{14,15} Drinking alcohol also increases the risk of prostate
 cancer.¹⁶

"As a graduate of the Addiction Free in Christ Biblical Counseling Program I truly received a life changing experience through my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ which I never will forget. Thank you, Pastor Jerry Jenkins, for 36 years of helping people like me find freedom over their problems, fears and addictions."

Psalm 28:7 "The LORD is my strength and shield. I trust him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy. I burst out in songs of thanksgiving." (NLT)

-Mark Jehl,

Ormond Beach, Florida

Excessive Alcohol Use is a Risk to Women's Health

Source: https://www.cdc.gov/alcohol/fact-sheets/womens-health.htm

Excessive alcohol use is associated with more than 43,000 deaths among women.¹ Excessive alcohol use poses unique health and safety risks to females.²

Alcohol Use is Common Among Women and Girls

- Nearly half of adult women report drinking alcohol in the past 30 days.³
- Approximately 13% of adult women report binge drinking. Among them, 25% do so at least weekly, on average, and 25% consume at least six drinks during a binge drinking occasion.³



SOURCE: CDC Vital Signs. January 2014. www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns.
American Journal of Preventive Medicine, 2011; Volume 41.

Alcohol is Associated with other Diseases, Injuries, and Harms in Women

- **Liver Disease**: The risk of cirrhosis and other alcohol-related liver diseases is higher for women than for men.^{2,6}
- **Impact on the Brain**: Alcohol-related cognitive decline and shrinkage of the brain develop more quickly for women than for men.²
- Impact on the Heart: Women who drink excessively are at increased risk for damage to the heart muscle at lower levels of consumption and over fewer years of drinking than men.²
- Breast and other Cancers: Alcohol consumption increases the risk of cancers of the mouth, throat, esophagus, liver, and colon. In women, drinking is also associated with breast cancer, even at low levels of consumption.^{2,7}

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The Effects of Alcoholism Continued: Underage Drinking

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Underage drinking is a significant public health problem in the U.S. Excessive drinking is responsible for more than 3,900 deaths and 225,000 years of potential life lost among people under age 21 each year. Underage drinking cost the U.S. \$24 billion in 2010.²

Alcohol is the most commonly used substance among young people in the U.S.

The 2019 Youth Risk Behavior Survey found that among high school students, during the past 30 days

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- 29% drank alcohol.
- 14% binge drank.
- 5% of drivers drove after drinking alcohol.
- 17% rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol.

Page Source: https://www.cdc.gov/alcohol/fact-sheets/underage-drinking.htm



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The Effects of Alcoholism Continued: Underage Drinking

<u>Is Underage Drinking Destroying Our Youth? Well Let's Look</u> at The Facts:

Underage Drinking is Dangerous: Youth who drink alcohol are more likely to experience

- School problems, such as higher rates of absences or lower grades.
- Social problems, such as fighting or lack of participation in youth activities.
- Legal problems, such as arrest for driving or physically hurting someone while drunk.
- Physical problems, such as hangovers or illnesses.
- Unwanted, unplanned, and unprotected sexual activity.
- Disruption of normal growth or sexual development.
- Physical and sexual violence.
- Increased risk of suicide and homicide.
- Alcohol-related motor vehicle crashes and other unintentional injuries, such as burns, falls, or drowning.
- Memory problems.
- Misuse of other substances.
- Changes in brain development that may have life-long effects.
- Alcohol poisoning.

In general, the risk of youth experiencing these problems is greater for those who binge drink than for those who do not binge drink.

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"Researchers found that adolescent fentanyl-related overdose deaths leaped 350% over the study between 2019 and 2020. Overall, fentanyl was associated with 77% of adolescent overdose deaths in 2021." *

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The Number One Addiction Continued: Fentanyl



What is fentanyl?

Fentanyl is a powerful synthetic opioid that is similar to morphine but is 50 to 100 times more potent. ^{1,2} It is a prescription drug that is also made and used illegally. Like morphine, it is a medicine that is typically used to treat patients with severe pain, especially after surgery. ³ It is also sometimes used to treat patients with chronic pain who are physically tolerant to other opioids. ⁴ Tolerance occurs when you need a higher and/or more frequent amount of a drug to get the desired effects.



Photo by DEA

In its prescription form, fentanyl is known by such names as Actiq®, Duragesic®, and Sublimaze®.4,5 Street names for illegally used fentanyl include Apache, China Girl, China White, Dance Fever, Friend, Goodfellas, Jackpot, Murder 8, and Tango & Cash.

Synthetic opioids, including fentanyl, are now the most common drugs involved in drug overdose deaths in the United States. In 2017, 59.8 percent of opioid-related deaths involved fentanyl compared to 14.3 percent in 2010.

What are Opioids?

Opioids are a class of drugs naturally found in the opium poppy plant. Some opioids are made from the plant directly, and others, like fentanyl, are made by scientists in labs using the same chemical structure (semi-synthetic or synthetic).

Source: https://nida.nih.gov/sites/default/files/drugfacts-fentanyl.pdf



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The New Illegal Drugs Destroying our Nation

"New illegal 'Zombie Drug' to worry about: Xylazine (or Tranq) Tied to Increase in US Drug Overdoses."*



xylazine, a new animal sedative often used in conjunction with opioids.

- Xylazine is a fast-spreading, deadly new street drug often cut into other drugs or used to extend the effects of fentanyl and mimic the high of heroin.
- The drug can cause sedative-like symptoms and severe skin rot.
- Although approved for use in veterinary medicine, the drug is unsafe for humans and overdoses cannot be reversed by the opioid antidote, naloxone.

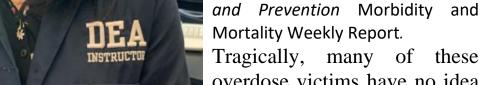
^{*}https://www.psychiatrist.com/news/skin-rotting-zombie-drug-tied-to-increase-in-us-drug-overdoses/



The New Illegal Drugs Destroying our Nation Continued

Isotonitazene (aka Nitazenes or ISO)

Is a powerful illicit synthetic opioid First identified around 2019 in the Midwest, this dangerous drug has moved into the Southern states and, more recently, along the Eastern seaboard. Much more potent than heroin and morphine (similar to fentanyl), ISO is being mixed into and marketed as other drugs to make drugs more potent and cheaper to produce. -- are increasingly being added into heroin and street versions of opioid pills and triggering fatal overdoses, according to research published in the Sept. 16, 2022 issue of the *U.S. Centers for Disease Control*



overdose victims have no idea ingesting they are these dangerous and extremely potent drugs. The DEA says opioids synthetic these currently can only be properly identified after a lab test, so people don't realize they're buying them until it's too late.

"We want to get this info out and warn people," says Special Agent of the DEA "If we can educate and inform our communities about the dangers of taking counterfeit prescription pills or other drugs, we stem the proliferation of these deadly opioids, stop all of these senseless deaths, and help keep our neighbors and loved ones safe." *

 $^{{\}tt *dea.gov/stories/2022/2022-06/2022-06-01/new-dangerous-synthetic-opioid-dc-emerging-tri-state-area.}$



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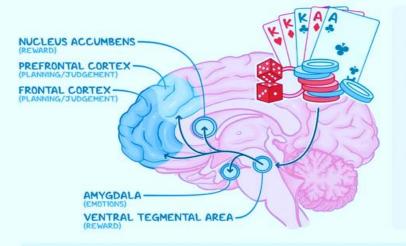
The Gambling Addiction Destroying our Nation

What Is It, Causes, Signs, Prevention, Support, and More

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What is gambling addiction?

Gambling addiction, also known as compulsive gambling or ludopathy, is an addictive disorder that refers to the compulsive urge to gamble. Gambling is when something of value is risked in the hope of gaining something of greater value. This often involves the wagering of money, but can include material goods or property as well. Gambling can occur in the form of online or casino games (e.g. poker or roulette), lottery tickets, scratchcards, slot machines, and betting (e.g. sports, fixed-odds, virtual, spread). It can take place in all kinds of settings, though it is most often associated with casinos or online gambling.



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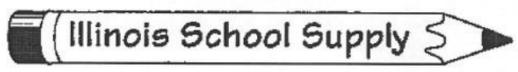
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 - . SLOT MACHINES
 - . BETTING
- * STIMULATES DOPAMINE REWARD PATHWAY
 - SEPEATEDLY ENGAGE IN BEHAVIOR
 - SHULD UP TOLERANCE
 - → PRODUCE LESS DOPAMINE
 - SATISFACTION to CREATE SAME

INDUSTRY ENABLEMENT

- * GAMBLING ADVERTISING TARGETED TOOL to ATTRACT BOTH NEW and CONSISTENT GAMBLERS
- * WELCOME INCENTIVES FREE or RISK-FREE BETS to DRAW IN FIRST-TIME GAMBLERS
- * EASY to REGISTER and DEPOSIT FUNDS
 - . MORE DIFFICULT to WITHDRAW WINNINGS
- * EXCESSIVE STIMULATION and DISTRACTION (e.g. ambience, loud music, lack of windows)

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What is Gambling Disorder?

When gambling becomes a problem, its impact is far-reaching. In addition to lost finances, a person's relationships, career, and health are likely to suffer. **Gambling disorder** is defined by an inability to stop gambling, despite ongoing problems caused by the behavior.

A Signs of Problem Gambling

- Gambling with more and more money in order to feel a sense of excitement
- Inability to stop gambling, despite losses, distress, and other problems
- · Cycle of losing money and chasing losses
- · Lying about gambling habits and losses
- Relying on friends and family for money to continue gambling
- Constant thoughts of gambling, including how to get more money for gambling
- Gambling in an attempt to manage uncomfortable emotions

Related Problems

People with gambling disorder are more likely to experience a range of other problems. These problems may contribute to gambling disorder or be caused by it.

Social Problems

criminal activity / incarceration divorce domestic violence financial hardship job loss

Health Problems

alcohol / substance abuse anxiety disorders depression poor physical health suicide

2 Other Information

Gambling problems usually begin in adolescence or young adulthood, especially for men. Women typically begin gambling later in life, but problems escalate faster.

Gambling disorder runs in families. Those who have a parent with gambling disorder are 3 times more likely to have the disorder themselves.

Many people experience withdrawal-like symptoms when attempting to quit gambling. These symptoms may include irritability, anger, depression, hopelessness, and shame.



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The Electronic Addiction Crisis Destroying Our Nation

US News & World Report: "TikTok Boosts Posts About Eating Disorders, Suicide" 1

"TikTok's Viral Challenges Keep Luring Young Kids to Their Deaths" ²– Bloomberg Business Week



The FBI called *TikTok* a risk to national security in testimony before the House Homeland Security Committee in November 2022.

New research at the nonprofit *Center for Countering Digital Hate* found that teens and children who spend more time on *Tic Tock* are found to be exposed to bullying, peer pressure or negative content about eating disorders or suicide. At least 15 children have committed suicide after taking *Tic Tock's* black out challenge. Foxnews.com reports On March 6th, 2023, 30 University Students were taken to the hospital after taking a drinking challenge on *Tic Tock*. This reveals an Electronic Addiction to *Tik Tock*.

^{1.}Source AP: https://www.usnews.com/news/business/articles/2022-12-14/report-tiktok-boosts-posts-about-eating-disorders-suicide.

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We Have Looked at The Cause Now We Will Look at The Cure. The Cause May Change, <u>But the Cure Will Never Change</u>

As we looked at the cause we had to go clear back to the Book of Genesis to find out that the cause came from Adam and Eve when Eve went against God's Word. And the cause has never changed, it is when we go against the Word of God.

The cure is found in a very famous Scripture which almost everyone has heard sometime in their life. Which is John 3:16-21, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. 18 He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20 For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. 21 But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God." NKJV



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"If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Then again in John 8:36 "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed." This is the only cure for the crisis destroying our nation. There is no program, there is no theory of man, the only answer to the crisis destroying our nation is found in the Word of God. Some Scriptures that we looked at before we need to look at again. The Bible says in Proverbs 14:12 "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." Jesus promised us in God's Word that instead of living with anxiety, worry, fear and depression and addictions destroying our nation, if we would just surrender to Him, that He has a much better plan in the Gospel of John 14:1-6 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know.' 5 Thomas said to Him, 'Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?' 6 Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." NKJV.

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~ Gerhard Jung, Bowen, Illinois.

The Cure Continued

How does it happen for someone to find this way and find this truth is also in the Bible? In John 6:44 Jesus said "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day." Then He said in John 15:16 "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you." Then He also gave us a Helper, He said in John 14:15-18 "If you love Me, keep My commandments. 16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you." Then He said again about the Helper in John 14:25-27 "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. 26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." NKJV.

We Would Like To Take Time To Thank This Sergeant Adam Gibson Of Quincy Police The Department, Quincy, Illinois, For Joining Us Every Year On Our Addiction Seminars And Sharing With Us How Quincy Police The Department Is Addressing The Addiction Crisis Destroying Our Nation.

The Cure Continued

And then again in John 16:13 "However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come." He then explains why He is able to do all this and again what He wants us to do in Matthew 28:18-20 "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.' Amen." NKJV

After reading all this you will find that the cure is much more powerful than the cause, and if we will continue with the cure, we will be free from the cause. Remember Jesus said in John 8:36...

"THEREFORE, IF THE SON MAKES YOU FREE, YOU SHALL BE FREE INDEED."



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