

# Marijuana Legalization and the Bible

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**Ephesians 5:11, 13-16:** "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather **reprove** them. But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, **Awake thou that sleepest**, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk **circumspectly**, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."

The **1828 Noah Webster Dictionary** defines:

**Reprove:** To blame, to convince of a fault, or to make it manifest, to excite a sense of guilt.

**Circumspectly:** Cautiously; with watchfulness every way; with attention to guard against surprise or danger.

**Matthew 24:24:** "...if it were possible, they shall deceive **the very elect.**"

**II Corinthians 2:11:** "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we **are not** ignorant of his devices."

**II Chronicles 7:14:** "If **my people**, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

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From: DB

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 2:45 PM

To: Scott Johnson

Subject: [Listener Comment: Marijuana and the Bible](#)

<http://www.equalrights4all.org/religious/bible.htm>

*How do you feel about this. Please read this page and respond. It really helps me with my indigestion stress and sleeplessness. I smoke from a vaporizer so its harmless.*

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**From:** Scott Johnson  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 27, 2012 8:33 PM  
**To:** DB  
**Subject:** RE: Marijuana and the Bible  
**Scott Johnson's Response:**  
DB:

*So, I'm a Christian and I smoke...What's wrong with that?*

Imagine for a moment The Lord Jesus stopping in at your house to visit with you personally. You have him sit in your most comfortable chair. In the course of your sharing together you offer him a marijuana joint or bong hit. What do you think his response would be?

To consider the Lord's response, we will take liberty with scripture passages found in Colossians 3:23 and 1 Corinthians 10:31 in light of the smoking questions:

**"Whenever you get high, get high heartily as unto the Lord."**

or

**"Whenever you get stoned, get stoned to the glory of God."**

Sorry but I am totally against this. I have (and had many friends when I was unsaved) who smoked this stuff and I know what it did to me and them.

**See my teaching on this subject:**

**[End Time Current Events: 5-29-11–Part 3–Smoking Tobacco Warning](#)**

**It is imperative you listen to this as I have already covered so many aspects of this subject.**

**Use sublingual melatonin for a natural sleep aid**

**(See: <https://www.herbspro.com/shop/xq/asp/pid.35867/qx/productDetail.htm> )**

**and see my newsletter posted at the bottom of this document regarding indigestion.**

Also as you mentioned vaporization see:

**How does a vaporizer work?**

There are many types of vaporizers on the market but they all work with the same principle, which is to heat your medical marijuana until the active chemicals boil and vaporize.

**The chemical makeup of cannabis.**

Marijuana or cannabis contains cannabinoids which are a group of terpenophenolic compounds including THC (Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol) which is what gets users high. In addition there is CBD (Cannabidiol) and CBN (cannabinol), the latter is produced as the THC ages and breaks down.

Cannabis with high levels of both THC and CBD will create a strong energetic high where low levels of THC and high levels of CBD will be more of a body, sleepy stoner high.

**Vaporization**

When cannabinoids are heated to the right temperature they literally boil and vaporize. As the medical marijuana vaporizes you will note that a thin mist of vapour is created at this lower 338 °F (170 °C) temperature. Compare that to a typical marijuana joint which burns at temperatures of up to 2,012 °F (1,100 °C) and since vaporization takes place at temperatures below combustion **up to twice as many active constituents are delivered to the user than one would get from smoking,** according to studies.

The verses listed in the link you sent are beyond a stretch. It is like trying to push a circular peg into a square hole. To say these verses are in regard to Pot is totally impossible and not even applicable. The report you sent reads:

The verse (**that is the backbone of their argument**) is conveniently isolated out of context, which I listed below (with all the other verses that are around it), and these verses are in relation to the saved Israelites during the 1000 year millennial reign of Christ on earth. **Not the time we are living in currently:**

[eze](#)  
[34:23](#)

And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, **[even] my servant David**; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.

 [Eze](#)  
[34:24](#)

And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken [it].

 [Eze](#)  
[34:25](#)

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And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.

 [Eze](#)  
[34:26](#)

And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.

 [Eze](#)  
[34:27](#)

And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, **and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I [am] the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.**

 [Eze](#)  
[34:28](#)

And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make [them] afraid.

 [Eze](#)  
[34:29](#)

**And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.** Obviously from the contest here this is a plant that we eat, not smoke. I mean Pot makes you hungry so it would be the opposite of this plant referenced there in the Bible.

 [Eze](#)  
[34:30](#)

Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God [am] with them, and [that] they, [even] the house of Israel, [are] my people, saith the Lord GOD.

 [Eze](#)  
[34:31](#)

And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, [are] men, [and] I [am] your God, saith the Lord GOD.

There is so much more I could refute. I will try to cover this in an upcoming teaching.

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### The medical facts about DAGGA/ MARIJUANA/HASHISH (CANNABIS)

- MARIJUANA/Dagga comes from the Cannabis plant.
- The duration of the 'high' or 'stoned' effect lasts for 2-3 hours after smoking.

- Dagga contains more than 400 different substances. The strongest intoxicating substance is THC (tetra-hydro-cannabinol).<sup>6</sup>
- MARIJUANA/Dagga causes more lung damage than tobacco. It contains 50% - 100% more cancer-causing substances than cigarettes of the same weight. One study showed that the average age of a group of people, who had developed head and neck cancer, was 32 years old and they had the common factor of being marijuana smokers.<sup>7</sup>
- The effects of cannabis on the central nervous system: In contrast to alcohol, even tiny concentration of THC affects the brain. Dagga disrupts functions of the brain. This impairs concentration and short term memory as well as the ability to learn and perform normal tasks. The consequences are an increase in motor vehicle accidents, accidents at work, a lack of interest at work and school.<sup>8</sup>
- Shortly after intake, dagga can trigger severe states of mental derangement (psychoses). Persecution anxiety, delusional perceptions, hallucinations and orientational disturbances have been experienced.<sup>9</sup>
- Long term dagga use causes functional changes in the brain, especially in the structure that plays an important role in the generation of emotions (the limbic system). It also causes a state of withdrawal, apathy and indifference and social and personal stagnation.<sup>10</sup> One study showed that after frequent use of dagga, poor progress at school was three times more common, violent fights with parents occurred twice as often, and suicide attempts increased by 20%.<sup>11</sup>
- Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol **decreases the body's resistance to bacteria and viruses. It therefore weakens the body's immune system, which leads to greater susceptibility to infectious diseases.**<sup>12</sup>
- When smoked during pregnancy, THC crosses the placental barrier, which means that it enters the blood stream of the unborn child.<sup>13</sup> Marijuana use is correlated with decreased birth weight, smaller head circumference and disorders in mental development. It causes an increase in miscarriages, an increase in infantile deaths and leukemia. If a mother smokes dagga while breast feeding, the new-born child will also ingest THC via maternal milk.<sup>14</sup>
- THC is fat-soluble and is therefore stored in fatty tissues such as the brain, lungs, kidneys, liver and reproductive organs, where it remains for weeks, whereas a single tot of alcohol is eliminated from the body within 6 hours. The half-life of THC is approximately one week and its complete elimination requires one month. This means that weekend users are never drug free. Even months after the last "joint", sudden and unexpected states of intoxication ("flash-backs"), can occur.<sup>15</sup>
- Dagga leads to changes in genetic make-up e.g. the production of abnormal sperm cells and chromosome damage.<sup>15</sup>
- Dagga tolerance develops rapidly (the ability to withstand a marked increase in dosage to obtain or maintain the initial effect). Withdrawal symptoms include nausea, vomiting, sweating, tremors and sleep disturbances.<sup>16</sup>
- Dagga is addictive and lowers the threshold for other drugs. **The majority of heroin addicts smoke dagga first. It is accurately described as a "gateway" drug. A survey of 17 000 high school students has shown that students who have smoked dagga ten times, have a 25% chance of using cocaine, and those who have smoked dagga 100 times or more, have a 70% chance of trying cocaine.**<sup>17</sup>
- Former addict, Tina Cross said: **"Even if they legalise cannabis tomorrow, I wouldn't smoke it. It's more deceptive than heroin because it is so acceptable. It's a deception - a doorway to other drugs. I believe with my whole heart that drugs are a tool of the Devil."**

## The Cannabis Religion

<http://www.thc-ministry.net/cannabis-religion.html>



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"Cannabis religion", what would that be? you might ask...

<http://www.thc-ministry.net/cannabis-religion.html> Well, for one it's nothing new.

**Cannabis has been used in religious rituals by many cultures since the beginning of human kind.**

Cannabis, has been, and still is, a sacred plant in many cultures on all the continents that it grows on, and it grows in nearly every continent on our planet, and in nearly every country. **Tradition in India maintains that the gods sent man the Hemp plant so that he might attain delight, courage, and have heightened sexual desires. When nectar or Amrita dropped down from heaven, Cannabis sprouted from it. Another story tells how, when the gods, helped by demons, churned the milk ocean to obtain Amrita, one of the resulting nectars was Cannabis. It was consecrated to Shiva and was [the goddess] Indra's favourite drink.**

**After the churning of the ocean, demons attempted to gain control of Amrita, but the gods were able to prevent this seizure, giving Cannabis the name Vijaya ("victory") to commemorate their success. Ever since, this plant of the gods has been held in India to bestow supernatural powers on its users.**

Cannabis played a major role in every religion in the Old World from the dawn of civilization until the Dark Ages when its sacramental use was prohibited by Emperor Theodosius. **Today multitudes are rediscovering the spiritual virtues of this most useful of all plants.**

**Before the Dark Ages people accepted the cannabis/hemp plant as a special gift from the gods, a sacred medium for communion with the spiritual world. It played a prominent role in the development of the religions and civilizations of Asia, the Middle East, Europe and Africa. The insights gained from the cannabis high by the ancient worshippers were considered to be of divine origin, and the plant itself an "angel" or messenger of the gods.**

### SHINTOISM

In (Japan) Cannabis was used for the binding together of married couples, to drive away evil spirits, and was thought to create laughter and happiness in marriage.

### HINDUISM

In (India) The God Shiva is said "to have brought cannabis from the Himalayas for human enjoyment and enlightenment." The Sardu Priests travel throughout India and the world sharing "chillum" pipes filled with cannabis, sometimes blended with other substances.

In the Bhagavad-gita, Krishna states, "I am the healing herb" (Ch. 9:16), while the Bhagavat-purana Fifth Canto describes hashish in explicitly sexual terms.



**BUDDHISTS** In (Tibet, India, and China) From the 5th Century B.C. **on ritually used cannabis; initiation rites and mystical experiences** which were & (are) common in many Chinese Buddhist Sects. Some Tibetan Buddhists and lamas (priests) **consider cannabis their most holy plant. Many Buddhist traditions, writings, and beliefs indicate that "Siddhartha" (the Buddha) himself, used and ate nothing but hemp and its seeds for six years prior to announcing (discovering) his truths and becoming the Buddha** (Four Noble Truths, the Eightfold Path).

The **ZOROASTRIANS** of (Persia, circa 8th to 7th Centuries B.C. to the 3rd to 4th Centuries A.D.) The Zoroastrian religion was based (at least on the surface) **on the entire cannabis plant, the chief religious sacrament of its priest class, and its most important medicine, (e.g., obstetrics, incense rites, anointing and christening oils), as well as lighting or fire oils in their secular world. The word "magic" is generally considered derived from the Zoroastrians "Magi."**

The **ESSENES** (ancient Israeli sect that existed from 200 B.C.. to 73 A.D.) used hemp medicinally, as did the **THERAPUTEA** (Egypt), from whom we get the term "therapeutic." **Both are believed by some scholars to be disciples of, or in a brotherhood with, the priests/magician of the Zoroastrians.**

The **SUFIS OF ISLAM** (Middle East) **Moslem "mystical" priests who have taught, used, and extolled cannabis for divine revelation, insight, and oneness with Allah, for at least the last 1,000 years.** Many Moslem and world scholars believe the mysticism of the Sufi Priests was actually that of the Zoroastrians who survived Moslem conquests of the 7th and 8th Centuries A.D..

The **COPTIC CHRISTIAN** (Egypt/Ethiopia) **Some sects believe the sacred "green herb of the field" in the Bible was cannabis** ("I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more." Ezekiel 34:29) **and the Biblical secret incenses, sweet incenses, and anointing oils to be cannabis.**

The **BANTUS** (Africa) had secret Dagga Cults,\* societies which restricted cannabis use to the ruling men. The Pygmies, Zulus, and Hottentots all used it.

\*Their "Dagga" cults believed Holy Cannabis was brought to earth by the Gods, in particular from the "Two Dog Star" system that we call Sirius A and B. "Dagga" literally means "cannabis."

The **RASTAFARIANS** (Jamaica and elsewhere) **are a contemporary religious group that uses "ganja" as its sacred sacrament to communicate with God (Jah).**

The Rastafari movement, or Rasta, is a cult that arose in the 1930s in [Jamaica](#).<sup>[1][2]</sup> Its adherents worship [Haile Selassie I](#), Emperor of [Ethiopia](#) (ruled 1930–1974), as **Jesus incarnate, the Second Advent, or the reincarnation of Jesus**. Rastafari are generally distinguished for asserting the doctrine that Haile Selassie I, the former and final [Emperor of Ethiopia](#), is another **incarnation of the Christian God, called Jah**.<sup>[4]</sup> Most see Haile Selassie I as **Jah or Jah Rastafari, who is the second coming of Jesus Christ onto the earth, but to others he is simply God's chosen king on earth**.  
**The Rastafari movement encompasses themes such as the spiritual use of cannabis**<sup>[5][6]</sup>

The immediate verbiage you see below is from a Witchcraft chat room where occult practices for magical purposes was being discussed so Let's see what practicing pagan occultists have to say about smoking/tobacco/marijuana (I have edited out any inappropriate words):

[Lepidopteran](#)

[16:23 / 27.10.05](#)

I know this is a thread on blood, not tobacco, but yes, that's exactly what it feels like. **Tobacco** is a powerful plant, and there are many spiritual traditions that use it (I'm only just scratching the surface here). As an avowed non-smoker, I've largely ignored it in the past, but there is fertile ground to explore.

[but still Mordant Carnival](#)

[10:23 / 28.10.05](#)

Yeah, me too. I'm also a lifelong non-smoker. I'd never used the weed in ritual before. **I associated it with non-European magicoreligious practices** which I didn't (still don't, really) understand well, which led me to eschew its use as smacking of cultural appropriation.

[Sekhmet](#)

[15:08 / 28.10.05](#)

**Perhaps it's more powerful if one doesn't use it recreationally, but only in a sacred setting?**

[SteppersFan](#)

[21:31 / 29.10.05](#)

I don't think you can use tobacco recreationally.

It's a horrible mega addictive drug that totally messes you up. **If you think you're using it recreationally, you're conning yourself (or being conned by the malevolent evil spirits that I suspect infest tobacco).**

And I think that if you're not a native American living on a reservation who knows all about the different kinds of tobacco that are out there and **just WHICH one you need for a particular magical purpose then leave it alone.**

[Note: I am trying to quit right now and I have zero tolerance for tobacco advocation right now ]

paul.meme

but still  
Mordant  
Carnival

Well excuse me all to h... and back, but like I said above--this whole cigarette thing wasn't my idea! I'm an asthmatic nonsmoker. I'd *love* to leave tobacco offerings alone; it's just not really an option.

22:05 /  
29.10.05

When I think of offerings, I usually think of things I like, and offer those. **I use tobacco with certain specific spirits, and then only when it's requested that I do so. There's usually room for some negotiation (like being allowed to take a token drag of the cigarette and then burn the rest in with the loose incense) but when they (the demons) really want something, it's often a bad idea to kick up too much of a fuss about giving it to them (the demons)...**

Two-  
headed  
rude boy

I'm a non-smoker, used to get through 20+ marlboro reds a day, but haven't smoked tobacco **in non-ritual circumstances** for more than 8 years. **The Gods and Spirits I work with like tobacco, they like cigars, so I handle cigars on a weekly basis. Generally I'll take three smokes on something without inhaling and blow the smoke towards the altar, leaving the rest to burn of its own accord in the ashtray. This is the relationship I now have with the tobacco spirits. It works. The idea of smoking in non-ritual circumstances is abhorrent, I can't imagine ever smoking without there being magic involved.**

11:04 /  
31.10.05

archabyss

**When I think of offerings, I usually think of things I like, and offer those.**

11:22 /  
31.10.05

Same here although have offered cigar once and then found I had to smoke it (I'm a non-smoker). Didn't even try the bargaining (***with the demonic spirit***), I will bear in mind the mixing it with incense thing though, it sounds a much better prospect than smoking the whole thing.

SteppersFan

**Right now I have a very powerful sense that tobacco contains really seriously evil malevolent spirits that are utterly hostile to human life.** FWI: there's a bit of magic work behind that insense too.

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31.10.05

Mordant & Gypsy, thanks for your helpful responses. **Do you get the feeling that the spirits you're dealing with are "in" the tobacco? (I do.)** In which case, do you feel they are malevolent or helpful? Or do they simply "consume" the tobacco (without caring about the evil spirits therein)?

but still  
Mordant  
Carnival

I don't know about spirits in the tobacco. I guess I was a bit off using the word spirit (still got issues with the whole gods thing) when **what I actually meant was deities. One particular deity demands cheap cigarettes and gets very emotional if he doesn't get one. If I do smoke during a service to him, I find**

12:17 /

31.10.05

the contact is much stronger--heavy overshadowing, lots of physical and emotional effects--and also more positive, 'friendlier', sort of. Some of my ancestors were heavy smokers in life, so tobacco is a good offering for them too. They don't require me to smoke, however.

I make the occasional offering to Ellegua; I wouldn't say I work with him, strictly speaking, but he taps me for offerings now and again. He likes rum, sweets and cigars, of course.

The animist in me asks: Maybe the "evil spirits" you sense infesting tobacco are associated with the additives used by the tobacco industry, rather than the tobacco itself? Artificial flavourings, preservatives, crap to make the d... things more addictive... **who knows what could ride in on all that muck.**

Two-headed  
rude boy

13:10 /  
31.10.05

Tobacco is a very strong spirit, in the same way that High John the Conqueror Root or Five Finger Grass are strong spirits. The power of tobacco can be tapped and called upon in magic - and if you're doing that, you should really be using fresh tobacco leaves and know exactly what you are doing, like the hypothetical native American on a reservation you talk about above.

However, in my own practice, I don't really work with the tobacco spirits in the sense outlined above - or at least I haven't had reason to so far. I use tobacco as an offering to the Deities I work with who happen to like tobacco as an offering. The tobacco spirits are made sacred and consumed.

SteppersFan OK, good stuff.

16:20 /  
31.10.05

And, if tobacco is "manipulative" + destructive + toxic + "have a problem with humans" then, well tobacco = absolutely, definitively "evil" as far as me and my lungs and heart are concerned!

tobacco is *\*absolutely\** it's totally evil, get-away-from-me bad stuff that WILL KILL ME and which for all I know ALREADY HAS KILLED ME. It killed my dad after all...)

And yes, I powerfully get a feeling that there is a spirit in the [processed, mixed] substance [including that Indian Reservation stuff . [I actually get a vibe of it being some sort of Burroughsian Amerindian curse....] In particular I get the feeling that this spirit wants to attack the human spirit, make it curl up and die, and specifically make human magic die.

Of course analytically I accept that others might safely use tobacco

for magical purposes and that I shouldn't pass judgement on that.

However emotionally I find myself thinking "FOR ..... 'S SAKE GET THAT .... OUT OF YOUR LIFE!"

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### From the "Black Phoenix Alchemy Lab" of Witchcraft

<http://www.blackphoenixalchemylab.com/new.html>

STARDUST 2006 -- When the holidays roll around, not everyone has mistletoe, caroling and cookies on their minds. This scent is a paean to celebrating hard: nights covered in glitter and dusted with cocaine, flutes of Cristal clutched in shaky hands, leather and lace, the Spiders From Mars in the background, and twisting, sweaty limbs entangled in dark corners. Hairspray and **cigarette smoke is the incense in this temple to decadence**, strobe and mirrors replace the devotional candles, and Bolan sings the hymns.



#### Why a Christian Should **NOT** Smoke

Spiritual truths on why you should quit NOW!

#### **DISCLAIMER:**

THE FOLLOWING TRACT CAME FROM WARRIOR MINISTRIES. Share it with others. IT IS POSTED HERE BY Real Deliverance Ministries FOR YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND BENEFIT, SO YOU MAY OBTAIN FREEDOM FROM DEMONS AND INHERIT THE BLESSINGS OF GOD AGAIN.

#### *So, I'm a Christian and I smoke...What's wrong with that?*

Imagine for a moment The Lord Jesus stopping in at your house to visit with you personally. You have him sit in your most comfortable chair. In the course of your sharing together you offer him a cigarette. What do you think his response would be?

To consider the Lord's response, we will take liberty with scripture passages found in Colossians 3:23 and 1 Corinthians 10:31 in light of the smoking questions: "When you smoke, smoke heartily as unto the Lord." "Whenever you smoke, smoke to the glory of God."

Probably, on the merit of only these two scripture passages you will agree cigarette smoking is not compatible with the Christian experience. Let's examine further to see what the Spirit of God reveals about tobacco and smoking...

We are responsible to God for the care of our body. When a person truly receives Jesus Christ as Savior, the Holy Spirit of God enters the human spirit making a new creature. 1 Corinthians 6:19 states that the body of the Believer is a Temple, a tabernacle or dwelling, abiding place of the very Holy Spirit of God. Our willing covenant or contract with God to receive eternal life through Jesus Christ puts us in a place of responsibility. As genuine Christians we are held responsible by God for the care and use of our physical body. 1 Corinthians 6:19 states: "What? Know you not that your body is the Temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which you have of God, and you are not your own?"

We can further see in 1 Corinthians 3:17 that when we behave or perform irresponsibly and defile our body, we open ourselves to our physical destruction.

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple you are."

Beyond question--it is established both medically and scientifically--smoking adversely affects virtually every organic system of the human body and bodily function. **The smoker**

**opens the door to the spirit of self-destruction** and commits "slow-suicide". The heart and blood are affected. The eyes and nasal passages are inflamed and burned. The respiratory system easily falls prey to emphysema and asthma. Tobacco, nicotine and smoking attack and break down immune systems so cancers can develop unrestricted. Common to smokers are lung cancer, throat cancer and lip cancer. The "narcotic" property in the tobacco and nicotine attacks the nervous system of the smoker and works its breakdown process, see-sawing the smokers nerves between periods of Hypertension and Depression. Mental awareness, alertness and function come under a dulling, slowing effect. This hinders our mental ability in everyday activity and restricts or cuts off our mental fellowship with the Holy Spirit speaking to our mind from our spirit. A person who has the smoking habit, in honesty, **must label themselves an "addict"**.

Smoking harms others. For the Christian it is to be especially noted that the smoker "forces" all these above mentioned plagues, diseases and problems on other "innocent" people in the smoker's presence. Co-workers, family and especially children are victims of the smoke from the smoker and cigarettes. Christians are definitely **not to be "stumbling blocks"** to others. Think how God views it when a Believer, by smoking, causes others, especially children, to have to endure burning eyes, clogged nasal passages, undue colds, flu, nervous disorders and hindrances to mind function! Even asthma and cancers! Yes, Christian smoker - You are guilty of these! Others are offended by smoking Believers yet most endure the offense silently. The children and infants tormented by tobacco smoke have no choice but to endure silently. II Corinthians 6:3 is a command to followers of Christ to "give no offense in anything, that the ministry be not blamed". A most serious, sobering warning from the Lord Jesus himself concerning our offending others, especially children (smoking Christian parents take special note), is written in Matthew 18: 6, 7, "But who so shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depths of the sea. Woe unto the world because of offenses! For it must needs be that offenses come; but woe to that man by whom the offense cometh!"

#### *The Smoking Believer's Question of Stewardship*

We have seen above that the smoker buys misery, destruction & death when cigarettes are purchased. Most Christians desire to be seen of the Lord as "good stewards". How much financial resource is "going up in smoke" from Believer-smokers? What would Jesus say about this waste of funds that otherwise could go to evangelism, missionary work or the needy? Should a smoking Believer even pray for God's financial blessings? Most probably the smoking Believer causes a devouring spirit to come upon his or her finances, as described in Malachi 3:11.

#### *The Smoking Believer's Question of Example*

It has been well said: "You are the only Christian someone knows"; or, what would another person read in "The Gospel According to You"? Again, responsibility demands of the Christian we walk holy and unblamable in our behavior. Can there be any argument, smoking can in no way serve as a good example to a young Christian?

How easy a matter it is for Satan to convince young boys and girls and teens it is certainly o.k. to smoke "modern" dope if parents and adults--especially Christian adults--smoke "old fashioned" tobacco?

#### *Smoking has Spiritual Effects*

God is Spirit and sees things spiritually. Believers are called to be spiritually-minded even though we are in the physical world. We note in Ephesians 6:12 our enemies are evil spirit beings in the spirit realm. We are each of us as a Believer called and commanded to do personal battle against the demons and overcome them in our lives.

Satan and the unclean spirits (demons) know they have spiritual "legal right or ground" to successfully attack and harm (steal, kill, destroy) the smoking Believer! Spiritually speaking, (the way God sees it) cigarette smoking is "**burning incense to other (demon) gods**". II Kings 22:17, II Kings 23:5; II Chronicles 28:25, 34:24, 34:25; Jeremiah 1:16, 7:9, 11:12, 19:4; Chapter 44, 48:35.

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Burning tobacco originated with ancient aboriginals. The modern world learned of the use of tobacco from the Indians. History reveals Columbus found the Indians smoking and watched with surprise and wonderment. The Grand Pipe or Pipe of Peace was first observed among the Indians of Upper Mississippi country by the French. They called these pipes "calumets". According to the Indians, the pipe possessed a supernatural power and a "charming" effect to compel the partakers of the smoke to a brotherly bond of peace (obviously not the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ).

Historically the calumet was considered a sacred pipe to offer smoke to the demon gods above and below. Tobacco was looked upon as a sacred plant and burning it brought favor in the eyes of the gods (demons). Even a member of an enemy tribe who entered a house and smoked with the host was guaranteed protection and safe conduct when he left. Several Indian tribes burned incense for a purifying medium or an acceptable offering to the unseen. Some Eastern tribes did not smoke a pipe in a sacred ceremony but burned tobacco in a small fire. This smoke offering was believed to ascend to the power to whom they prayed.

As the use of tobacco as an offering to gods continued, it was rolled in corn husks, the predecessors of modern cigars and cigarettes. Inhaling the smoke was incorporated into the rituals and both the smoke and the aroma continued to have a serious place in the religious rituals and ceremonies.

Historical reference books also state the tobacco pipe was used by American Indians in ceremonies to ratify treaties. Also, some Indians smoked the tobacco pipes to their sun-god and blew the smoke to him. Indians related many sources of illnesses to "witches who flew through the air disguised as owls to poison their victims". The protective practice against these witches was to cut their limbs and cleanse themselves of bad blood; and the use of "the old man's tobacco" was to avert spirits of the dead.

*...These are processes of witchcraft prohibited by God!*

### *The DELIVERANCE of Jesus Christ Brings Freedom*

To receive complete freedom from tobacco bondage, the Believer must see his "habit" or being "hooked" as a spiritually rooted problem.

The scriptural DELIVERANCE process of applying the power and authority given by Jesus Christ to the Believer (Luke 10:19) must be implemented. It is wise for the needy Believer to search out fellow Believer DELIVERANCE prayer warriors at a fellowship where biblical DELIVERANCE is actively administered to the saints. Acknowledging tobacco, cigarettes and smoking as **sin** is prerequisite.

Confession of the sin according to I John 1:9, and choosing to submit to God according to James 4:7, places the Believer on proper ground for the unclean spirits to be cast out.

### **FOR DELIVERANCE:**

Confess and repent to God for burning incense to other gods. Then command the demons to go in Jesus' Name.

### **Potential Demons at work:**

Tobacco Spirits known as: Kurusiwari, Matura-wari, and Kawai-wari, spirit of self-destruction, slow-suicide, heart and blood diseases, demons in the eyes, nasal passages, respiratory system, emphysema and asthma, tobacco, nicotine, break down of immune

system, cancer, lung cancer, throat cancer and lip cancer, addiction to nicotine, rebellion, destroying the temple of God, undue colds, flu, nervous disorders and hindrances to mind function, asthma, Hypertension, Depression, dull mental awareness, alertness and function, sting of death, mind control, etc.

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## *Dr. Johnson's Healthy Living Newsletter*

### **ACID REFLUX, HEARTBURN AND INDIGESTION**

In this issue I will attempt to address a topic that has received a lot of press lately. Americans in particular are plagued with gastro-intestinal problems. Just turn on the television and witness the numerous commercials dealing with this subject. When it comes to the dealing with this problem what I am going to say is going to sound unorthodox. But consider this if the drug and antacid companies were right, the conditions of acid reflux, heartburn and indigestion should obviously cease by taking the prescription and over the counter drugs. But this is not the case as these products have to be taken ongoing usually in ever increasing quantities to get the same result. Why is this, you say? It's because the drug approach does not correct the cause of the acid reflux, heartburn or indigestion. It only treats the symptoms. One thing I have noted about the pharmaceutical commercials that deal with acid reflux is labeling this condition as a "DISEASE". You see these companies want you to believe that you have a disease. This term is used to discourage you from ever thinking you can overcome this condition. After all diseases are something Americans are taught (by the mainstream medical establishment) they have to live with.

Contrary to what orthodox medicine teaches us acid reflux, heartburn and indigestion can actually be caused by insufficient hydrochloric production in the stomach. This might sound like a contradiction but it's not. The **stomach needs hydrochloric acid (HCL) to digest food properly**. Particularly protein, calcium, zinc and iron. When the stomach becomes deficient in HCL the result is the putrefaction or rotting of food. **This produces the organic acids of putrefaction, which in turn can cause acid reflux, heartburn and indigestion**. In other words heartburn and acid reflux are often caused by **too little** good acid (HCL) in the stomach, not too much. That's because low good acid (HCL) in the stomach causes the valve at the base of the esophagus to relax and allow upward passage of what is in the stomach. Higher levels of good acid cause the valve to stay closed and prevent the upward flow. Antacids, such as Tums, are effective in alleviating these symptoms because they neutralize these organic acids. However, they only aggravate the underlying problem **by increasing the alkalinity of the stomach**. The stomach was not made to function in an alkaline environment. It was made to function in an extremely acid (HCL) environment of a 2 -3 PH range. You see the bad acids (organic acids) are a by product of low stomach HCL production which in turn produces the acids of putrefaction. In one of the **most highly referenced Medical textbooks**: Guyton's Physiology, 7th ed. page 790, we read: "Pepsin, the important peptic enzyme of the stomach, is most active at a PH of 2-3 (which is extremely acid) and is completely inactive at a PH above approximately 5 (an antacid can easily raise the stomach PH to 6 or higher). Consequently, for this enzyme (pepsin) to cause any digestion of protein, the stomach juices must be

**acidic.**" Guyton also warns of pernicious anemia from a stomach chronically low in HCL. As a result of this information **prior or current Antacid use** is the biggest tip-off to potential parasite infestation for the following reasons: As I stated, normally our stomach is designed to run at a PH of **2-3** which is very acid. When taking an antacid we radically alter the PH of our stomach **upward to the alkaline side. In this Ph range it is impossible to properly digest protein.** Well all parasites have **protein based** shells or exoskeletons. What this means is that if you artificially raise the stomach PH through antacid use, you won't be able to kill the parasites that normally occur on many of the foods we eat. You see parasites are everywhere in the food supply. All forms of vegetables and fruits if raw can potentially be loaded with parasites, just to mention a few. But don't panic because if your HCL (Hydrochloric Acid) production is working properly you will have a PH of 2-3 in the stomach. When you ingest parasites in this environment the parasites take an **"acid bath"** and are destroyed. But if you create an alkaline stomach by taking Antacids watch out because you have just eliminated the body's first and main line of defense against parasites. Once the parasites reach the Duodenum they are home free as the duodenum is alkaline. You see this is the way God designed it to be so parasites would be taken care of before they entered the duodenum. After leaving the duodenum they enter the intestinal tract which is neither either strongly alkaline or acid. **This is great for the parasites** because now they can set up shop and do what they do best: **live off you.** If you take antacids you have just provided them a free ride and a nice cozy warm home. So what's next? Well once the parasites set up shop in the intestinal tract **the pancreas starts perceive the parasites as a foreign protein.** So the pancreas will then start working overtime to produce various enzymes in an attempt to breakdown this perceived foreign protein in the intestinal tract (which is nothing more than the parasites). Well as I said before this was not the way God intended this process to work. The pancreas was not designed to do this job, as parasites should ideally be destroyed by HCL in the stomach. So as a result the pancreas will work night and day to try to break down the parasites in the intestinal tract. But this seldom works and as a result over time the pancreas becomes overworked. It's like whipping a tired horse. Now the pancreas is the only organ in the body that is considered both an exocrine (a gland with a duct) and endocrine (ductless gland) gland. The part of the pancreas that secretes alkaline digestive enzymes into the duodenum is the exocrine portion because that side of the Pancreas has a duct. While the other side of the pancreas is considered the endocrine side and produces the hormones: **Insulin and Glucagon.** Well if the exocrine side of the pancreas is overworked and exhausted, it's only a matter of time before that starts to negatively affect the endocrine side which is responsible for blood sugar regulation through Insulin and Glucagon. This is how Parasite infestation, blood sugar problems and diabetes can be intimately connected. For further information see or request my newsletter entitled: "Blood Sugar Issues and Parasite Questionnaire"

So now that we know the cause lets look at the solutions. I say solutions because there are different products I use for different symptom patterns. If you have been diagnosed with acid reflux, heartburn or indigestion **take this test.** The next time you eat a potentially offending food try taking 1-2 tsp of organic apple cider vinegar (or 1-2 Zypan [see below]) with the meal. You can put the vinegar in a small amount of water or juice. If your symptoms get better by doing this that tells you that you are definitely HCL deficient as the vinegar is acid by nature. If this worked well for you the apple cider vinegar could be taken with all meals that contain protein. That by itself could be all you need. If the apple cider vinegar helps but does not fully correct the problem, a product called Pitutrophin PMG by Standard Process needs to be added in. This product is incredible for virtually all stomach conditions, but especially for acid reflux. The Pitutrophin PMG works because in our bodies there are 2 direct links from the pituitary gland to the digestive system. Without a

properly functioning Pituitary gland our digestive system starts to break down. If the apple cider vinegar is not to your liking a product called [Zypan](#) by Standard Process is an excellent choice. Zypan acts not only a protein digestive aid, but it also helps to break down fats and carbohydrates. Zypan helps to maintain a proper 2-3 acid PH in the stomach. The biggest clue of a need for Zypan is foul smelling intestinal gas. Gas-forming microorganisms can only exist in an alkaline gastrointestinal tract. If protein is not being digested properly it will putrefy in the gut. This causes the foul smelling gas. Whereas someone who is not breaking down carbohydrates or fats properly might have a large amount of gas that does not have any to much smell at all.

Now if the apple cider vinegar made the acid reflux, heartburn or indigestion worse, then most likely your stomach lining is so thin that it cannot handle the acid. In this case I would recommend the following three products: [Pitutrophin PMG](#) (which I mentioned previously), [Okra Pepsin](#) by Standard Process (This product helps to rebuild the lining of the stomach and is very good for indigestion like symptoms) and [Multizyme](#) by Standard Process (Which is a non-Hydrochloric acid digestive enzyme). All these nutritional protocols would be taken until your respective condition was under control and at that point a slow weaning off of the products would be implemented.

Now for active bleeding ulcers you would need the above mentioned three products and a product called [Chlorophyll Complex](#) by Standard Process. This product is the only true oil based Chlorophyll on the market and is very healing to the stomach lining and digestive system.

**Also according to Robert Reiling a municipal and industrial water treatment industry engineer; acid reflux, heartburn, and GERD are all greatly aggravated by exposure to chlorinated water. Remember though that virtually all the beverages you purchase (either off the shelf or at a restaurant) use chlorinated water. So your exposure may be higher than you think. To remove the chlorine it is imperative you have a water filtration system with an activated charcoal filter. It would also be advisable in install a KDF shower water filter to eliminate chlorine exposure in the shower, which can be significant. KDF can remove chlorine at high water temperatures, where activated charcoal cannot.** Again what our goals should be is to correct the underlying condition that caused the problem in the first place. Until next time!

### Order Form

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**Full name and mailing address for package:**

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**Item(s) being purchased at this time:**

Quantity	Item Description	Purchase Price	Subtotal
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	<b>Zypan (90 or 330 tablets)</b>	<b>13.00 or 40.00</b>	
	<b>Pituitrophin PMG (90 tablets)</b>	<b>28.00</b>	
	<b>Okra Pepsin (40 or 150 capsules)</b>	<b>15.00 or 45.00</b>	
	<b>Multizyme (150 capsules)</b>	<b>35.00</b>	
	<b>Chlorophyll Complex (60 or 240 perles)</b>	<b>23.00 or 80.00</b>	
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