

A MESSAGE FOR TEENS AND YOUNG PEOPLE



Are you just following along with the crowd and doing whatever you want to do?

Are you doing drugs, alcohol, or sex and maybe living your life carelessly, feeling like you are invincible and nothing could possibly happen to you? That there are lots of years ahead of you?

Well, you are wrong! There are big consequences to our choices in life whether they are immediately felt or not. Sometimes the consequences come a little ways down the road. But if you are into drugs and alcohol and living carelessly they can come a lot sooner and lots of times things happen suddenly, and it's too late to change anything.

These are a way of trying to escape reality for a little while and they are very deceiving!

Drugs and alcohol are a vehicle for the devil to control your mind and a means to destroy your mind and your body. The devil will try to get you to destroy yourself. Use of the drugs and alcohol will give you all kinds of crazy thoughts and depression, you will lose your desire to achieve anything in life and much more! If you are dabbling in these things your time may be short, so you may not have much time to come around and find the right path in life. You could be in a car accident and be killed or crippled. If you are doing drugs and alcohol you will be adversely affected. You could get a fatal disease from having unprotected sex; or you could even be driven to kill yourself because of depression and think that that is the only way out. You may think that drugs and alcohol won't hurt you but they will, although you may not be aware of it at the time.

Proverbs 14:12 says, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death!"

Proverbs 7:2 "Keep My Commandments and live; and My Law as the apple of thine eye."

"Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." Ps. 119:11
Proverbs 8:35 "Whoso findeth Me (Jesus) findeth Life, and shall obtain favour (acceptance) of the Lord."

You need to make a decision about how to lead your life and stick with it no matter what!

The choices that you make today will effect the rest of your life!

There is a Friend that sticks closer than a brother and His Name is JESUS!

Proverbs 18:24

He is the answer to how to have a peaceful, joyful, victorious life! When you invite Him in He will faithfully be right there in your problems with you and help you to overcome everything you need to overcome in your life.

He loves you so very much that you can't even begin to fathom it! His love is deep and wide and great! He will do anything you ask of Him if it's good for you when you belong to Him. He wants to give you the desires of your heart!

Psalm 37: 4, 5, 7 says, "Delight thyself in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass." "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him."

I have learned this is true from living my own life. I have experienced and experience everyday His great love and faithfulness! He is never failing to take care of us and He knows best how to take care of you. He is always right on time with His answers. He's never too early or too late! It may seem like He's not there helping but He is, whether you feel it or not! Just hold on to Him and His promises in the Bible.

After all these years, I know now that He was there all of the time; watching over me even though I wasn't saved yet because He knew that I would come to Him with all of my heart. He listens carefully to every sincere prayer and He wants to hear what you have to say to Him. He's not a God who is afar off! He takes a very personal interest in every aspect of your life. He has a plan for your life and He wants you to follow Him and fulfill what He wants you to do with your life.

Don't waste your life doing what seems good and feels good. He has much better for you! His intention for your life is for you to have a joyful, fulfilled, victorious life and that only comes when you surrender your life to Him, meaning to repent for your sins, and ask for His help not to sin, and seek to do His Will. He knows best what will make you content and fulfilled. He will guide you in how to do things as you are surrendered to Him.

We don't have to worry about anything when we are surrendered to Him and seeking Him to help us through everything. He will make sure everything work out for good and we can trust that no matter how things look. He knows the end of things before the beginning. We may think we know what we want and what is best for us but Jesus is wiser than we are.

He's a BIG, BIG GOD! He is full of compassion and mercy and grace! He will forgive you anything no matter how bad, when you say you are sorry for your sins and ask Him for help not to sin. He is patient and kind and slow to anger! He loves you! Oh, How He loves you! Oh, how He loves you SO!

Turn to Him today and give Him your heart! He will joyfully take it and help and guide you throughout your life! When we continually seek His love and guidance we can be assured that He will be there always to help us.

To find out how to think and what to do to obey Him you must read the Bible for guidance and instruction. Jesus is the Way, The Truth and the Life! John 14:6 He is only Way to a joyful life and an Eternity with Him. In Him we can have joy even in the midst of the storms of life. Please read my tract called What You Need to Know to learn more about being saved at www.tracts.com/Karin'sTractPage.html

You may think that the Bible is too old to trust and that there are so many Versions to know what to trust; but God has preserved His Word in a pure, unaltered form in the Authorized King James Bible. Jesus made sure that this one was kept whole without deletions or additions to it. He promised to preserve it and He did! He wanted us to have a guide for our life. He wouldn't leave us without a guide to life by. You can trust that! The Bible was inspired by the Holy Ghost: "No prophecy of the Scripture is of any private (self) interpretation, For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake (and wrote it down) as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." II Peter 1:20, 21

We need to read and study and ponder on the Bible. It is the Living Word! Hebrews 4:12 We need to believe what we read and obey what it says.

Living by the Bible should be our way of life. It will fill you with direction and comfort and joy as we stay in His Word. We now follow the New Testament, mostly for guidance. We no longer have to obey all the old laws. There is great joy in obeying God and His Word! There's nothing like it on this earth! Jesus is everything that you will ever need!

Come to Him today and repent of your sins, and ask Him to come into your heart and change you so that you can live for Him! Tell Him that you want Him to be your Heavenly Father and Friend! You can't even imagine right now what a joy that will be if you do that!

Remember that He wants you to ask for what you need and want! He wants you to help you more than you want to be helped! He is knocking on your heart hoping you will open the door and invite Him in! Please don't put it off, my friend! Do it today!

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me!" Revelations 3:20

Here are some important Scriptures to know: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God and are called according to His purposes" Romans 8:28

"The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great mercy!" The Lord is good to all: and His tender mercies are over all His works." Ps. 145:8, 9 "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us!" Psalm 103:12 "Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." Proverbs 27:1

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction." Proverbs 1:7

"But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely and shall be quiet from fear of evil." Proverbs 1:33

"The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from Hell beneath." Proverbs 15:24

"Flee fornication. (Having sex) Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body."

"What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?"

"For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's!" I Corinthians 6:18-20

"For this God is our God for ever and ever! He will be our Guide even unto death!"

Psalms 48:14

"Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not!" Jeremiah 33:3

"Am I a God at hand, saith the Lord, and not a God afar off?"

"Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill Heaven and Earth? saith the Lord. Jeremiah 23:23, 24

"Come unto Me (Jesus), all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke (Join with me) upon you, and learn of Me: for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30 That means to turn your burdens over to Him and He will carry them for you so you don't have to be worried and cast down anymore; and then trust Him to do it.

"For He satisfieth the hungry soul, and filleth the hungry with goodness!"

Psalms 107:9

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."

"Then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you."

And ye shall seek Me and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all of your heart!" Jeremiah 33:11-13

"But know that the Lord hath set apart him that is godly for Himself! The Lord will hear when I call unto Him!" Psalm 4:3

"The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty! He will save! He will rejoice over thee with joy! He will rest in His love! He will joy over thee with singing! Zeph. 3:17

