Leisure Time and Recreation

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Ecc. 3:1-8

Studying Christ's 2,000 year old answers to current prob. Lesson: Two problems intrinsically innerwoven.

I. A LOOK AT OUR CHANGING WORLD. CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM??

Leisure Time:

A. Agrarian life to Metropolitan way of life. Farm to city
   1. Farm chores gone. Few home duties. Still "no time."
   2. More gadgets inside and outside home. "Not enough time."
   3. Shorter working week: 32 hrs. of 168. Shorter days:
      6 hours work of 24. Shorter hours: 45 min. coffee.
   4. Automobile has revolutionized our living. Going, going
   5. Early retirement. 55 yrs. 62 years. Leaves leisure
   6. Location of domicile a factor.

B. Christ's answer to our growing leisure. TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY !!!!!
   1. Contact the lost more. Mark 16:15-16.
   2. Read and study more. Finally some time! II T. 2:15.
   4. Restore the erring. Gal. 6:1-2. Elders only! No!

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II. SAME LENGTH OF TIME, LESS WORK, EQUALS RECREATION!!!!!!

   A. What is Re-creation? Rest. Re-creating strength. Relax!
   B. How did Jesus relax and re-create? M. 1:35. Jk. 5:16, 8:29.
         III. Lubbock incident. Bryant children.

   C. How are Americans re-creating today?
      1. Drinking (escape), gambling (legal thievary), dancing
         (80% fallen girls started with this), petting (game of dynamite), speeding (American roulette); time
         coming up—maybe next time! BAPTIST TWIST.

   D. Pressure on young Christiams to wreck-create today.
      1. Only the strongest will withstand the pressure. E.232.
         III. CROWD can be wrong. Often is. See article.

   E. Christ's answer to America's Recreation Problem.
1. Logical view: 11 good activities to each 1 bad.
3. Christ's personal view: Allow all things that are good for you, deny everything that would hurt you. II Tim. 3:16-17. AND II Tim. 2:22.
4. Common sense view: TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY.
   I Timothy 4:12-16.

III. WHAT HAPPENS TO BATHING BEAUTIES. Article.

Answer to whole problem is our attitude toward God.

Matt. 22:37. Do nothing to hurt His heart.
Do nothing to hurt His Son.
Do nothing to hurt His church.
Do nothing to hurt his prize—YOU.

Sinner: Acts 16:31-34.


Homeless: Place membership.