

**WCBC WORSHIP SERVICE - OCTOBER 21, 2018**

**TOPIC:** The Legalization of Marijuana!

**TEXT:** Galatians 5:16-26

**INTRO:** Adverse Effects Of Marijuana!

**BIBLICAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE  
LEGALIZATION OF MARIJUANA**

**I. IT WILL ENCOURAGE MORE DRUG ABUSE:**

**Galatians 5:21**

- Dr. Robert L. DuPont
- 1. Because marijuana is an intoxicant.  
"soft" drug ----> "hard" drugs
- 2. Because marijuana is addictive!
  - Nat'l Institute On Drug Abuse Jan 2014 Report!
  - Galatians 5:21 - "*drunkenness*"

**II. IT WILL SEND A NEGATIVE MESSAGE TO OUR  
CHILDREN: Eph. 6:4**

1. That marijuana use is okay and harmless!
  - Dr. Harold Voth
2. That marijuana use will not cause one to lose sound moral judgment and self-control - Proverbs 25:28
  - A. Sound Moral Judgment
    - 1) Lie - Rev. 21:8
    - 2) Steal - I Cor. 6:9-11
    - 3) Disobedient to parents - Eph. 6:1-3
    - 4) Fails to do one's job and/or schoolwork - Eccl. 9:10
    - 5) Neglects spiritual life - I Cor. 15:58
  - B. Self-control
    - Pot vs. "Pot" At Home!

**III. IT WILL DESTROY THE MARIJUANA  
USER'S HEALTH: I Cor. 3:16**

- Nat'l Institute On Drug Abuse Jan 2014 Report

**IV. IT WILL EXCLUDE THE MARIJUANA USER  
FROM GOING TO HEAVEN: Galatians 5:21b**

- Galatians 5:20 - "*witchcraft*"

**CONCLUSION:** The Cure For Marijuana Addiction!

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**Letter From Jenny!**

"I started getting high to be 'in,' to go along with my friends. I immediately went down in school. Pot disrupts the memory banks in your brain...And pot DOES lead to the use of other drugs. People who get stoned get to where they don't care about anything but getting high. And after a while, pot just doesn't get you high enough. I got kicked out of cheerleading and eventually kicked out of school completely 'cause I was always skipping out to get high. Finally, I got kicked out of my parents' house (after getting put in jail several times) because I became moody, restless, incommunicative, and because I was out all hours of the day and night partying with my friends. I've been living on the streets supporting myself for a year. I've done every drug you can think of. I with through h---getting off speed. Messed up my nose terribly on coke (and my arms), and three times I almost OD'ed on Acid. I've been doing drugs for 3 years and I finally quit cold turkey a few months ago. I got some friends to talk to and I got a steady job. For the first time in three years I can think clearly, and I'm really *free*. Drugs are a trap. Once you're gone you can never come back. I've seen plenty of people die of overdoses. And I've seen several people murdered over dope deals. All of them, including me, started out just smoking an occasional joint on weekends 'to go along with our friends.' I know I ruined my life. I once had a pretty bright future with a lot of opportunities. Now I work all day to stay alive. I'm 16...!"  
-*Young Once*, March, 1980 (Reprinted in *Powerline*, Vol. V.#9)

