

**Theme: THE CHRISTIAN, S STAND**

**Memory Verse:** *1 Tim. 4:12 “Let no man despises thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity”.*

**Texts: 1 Peter 1:5-11; 1 Corinthians 10:31-33**

There is no sitting on the fence for the Christian. He cannot afford to pitch his tent with Sodomites and Gomorrhites and still claim to know Christ. The vices known in contemporary times are deceitful, but no Christian should be deceived. The Bible has given enough guides to the Christian as to the position he must take on these issues. As Christian daily faces temptation and allurements from any of these vices, he needs to ask some questions.

First, does it glorify God? Would God behold it with joy? Can I do it in the presence of the Lord? Can I do it or talk about it without any shame of contradiction before the saints of God in the Church of the living God? Second, does it edify the saints of God? Does it provoke the brethren to love and good works (Hebrews 10:24). Is it worth emulating? Third, does it point the sinner to Calvary? Is that practice- pornography, homosexuality, lesbianism, smoking, involvement in cult, wild music, conferment of traditional titles, drug addiction, use of gutter language, gambling, betting and pool staking capable of gaining a soul for the Kingdom or challenging the sinner on the need for salvation?

Fourth, does the practice harm the temple of the Holy Ghost, whose body you are? Does it weaken your frame, enlarge your heart, enfeeble your mind, waste your resources and enslave you the rest of your life? Fifth, does it make me an example to believers? Sixth, it is exigent for the Christian to always ask himself before embarking on any action: “Does it draw me nearer to heaven? Does it enhance my preparedness for heaven? Does it make me rapture ready? Seventh, will the practice, language or life style earn me a smile of approval from my Lord and Saviour? Finally, is the issue under consideration true, honest, just, pure, and lovely, of good report? If it not, then the Christian’s position is a firm no!!!

<b>DAILY BIBLE READING</b>		
<b>MORNING</b>		<b>EVENING.</b>
<b>MON.</b>	<b>Job. 12</b>	<b>Job. 13</b>
<b>TUS.</b>	<b>Job. 14</b>	<b>Job. 15</b>
<b>WED.</b>	<b>Job. 16</b>	<b>Job. 17</b>
<b>THUR.</b>	<b>Job. 18</b>	<b>Job. 19</b>
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>Job. 20</b>	<b>Job. 21</b>
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>Job. 22</b>	<b>Job. 23</b>
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>Job. 24</b>	<b>Job. 25</b>