

# THE CHRISTIAN AND ALCOHOLIC DRINKS

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**INTRODUCTION:**

This is a special study for Christians on the subject of alcoholic drinks. It will help you answer the following questions:

- 1. What is an alcoholic drink?
- 2. What do alcoholic drinks do to the body?
- 3. Did Jesus drink alcoholic drinks?
- 4. Should Christians drink alcoholic drinks?
- 5. Should the church use alcoholic drinks?

This study is divided into six lessons. You are to study each lesson alone in your house. You should study one lesson each day. After you have finished the six lessons, you will meet with others who have studied the same lessons. In the meeting you will discuss with the others what you have learned.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

You will see that each lesson is divided into parts that are called frames. Each frame has a number. The frames are divided by a line like this =====. You start by reading frame one (1.). Then you must answer the question at the bottom of frame one. After you have answered the question then read frame two (2.). At the beginning of frame two you will find the answer to the question in frame one. If you answered the question correctly, then continue to read and answer the question in frame two. If you answered the question wrongly, then read again frame one until you understand the correct answer. Continue in this same way until you have finished the lesson. Review questions are at the end of each lesson. If you can not answer them, then read the lesson again.

**WARNING**

You must try to answer a question before you look at the correct answer in the next frame. Take a piece of paper and cover the frames below the one you are reading. This will keep you from seeing the correct answer before you write your own. If you follow the instructions, you will learn valuable facts. If you cheat, you will not learn. If you cheat, you will cheat yourself.

Scripture is quoted from the New International Version unless otherwise noted. [NCV] refers to the New Century Version or Every Day Bible.

**Lesson One: What Makes a Drink Alcoholic?**

1. We are going to think about the Christian and alcoholic drinks. Some drinks are called hot or hard drinks because they contain alcohol. The reason they are called hot or hard is because they make the throat and stomach feel hot when you drink them.

Alcoholic drinks that make the throat and stomach feel hot are sometimes called \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ drinks?  
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2. An alcoholic drink that makes the throat and stomach feel hot is called a hot or hard drink. The drink is hot because it has a drug in it. This drug is called ALCOHOL.

What drug makes a drink to be hot? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Alcohol is a drug that makes a drink hot. Some drinks are more hot than others. This is because some drinks have more alcohol in them than others. A drink that is very hot has much alcohol in it.

Some drinks are very hot because they have much \_\_\_\_\_ in them.  
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4. A drink that is very hot has much alcohol in it. Whiskey and gin are very hot because they have much alcohol in them. Fresh palm wine is not so hot because it has less alcohol in it. Fresh palm wine may not feel hot to your throat and stomach, but it does have alcohol in it.

Fresh palm wine is an A \_\_\_\_ drink.  
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5. Fresh palm wine is an alcoholic drink. It has alcohol in it. Alcohol can be good or bad depending on how it is used. Doctors use it to kill germs. A doctor or nurse uses a strong mixture of alcohol and water to kill germs on our skin before they give us an injection. They also use alcohol to kill germs on the instruments they use to treat people. They kill the germs so that the germs will not cause another sickness in their patient.

Doctors use a strong mixture of alcohol to kill \_\_\_\_\_.  
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