



11 TESTS TO TAKE IN MAKING MORAL DECISIONS

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1. **The Word of God Test** - What does the Bible Say about it?
2. **The Glory of God Test** - Can I do this to the glory of God?
3. **The Christian Growth Test** - Does this help me grow as a Christian?
4. **The Christian Respect Test** - Do my Christian friends respect me more or less for doing this? Am I setting the example I want my children and grandchildren to follow?
5. **My Church Test** - What position does my church take on this issue?
6. **The Christian Leader Test** - What position do Christian leaders I admire and respect take on this issue?
7. **The Publicity Test** - Would I care if everyone knew I did this?
8. **The Universality Test** - Would we have a better world if everyone did this?
9. **The Bondage Test** - Can this lead to unwanted bondage and addiction?
10. **Personal Experience Test** - Based on my own personal life experiences is this a good thing or a bad thing for people to do?
11. **The Research Test** - What does research reveal about this issue? For example, take the alcohol issue.
 - A. Nearly 10,000 people are killed annually on U.S. roadways due to alcohol-related accidents.
 - B. Excessive drinking is responsible for more than 4,300 deaths among under age youth each year. Nearly 1/3 of all drunk driving deaths happen to people ages 16 to 20.
 - C. Roughly four in ten child abusers have admitted to being under the influence of alcohol during the time of their offense.
 - D. An estimated 37% of sexual assaults and rapes are committed by offenders under the influence of alcohol.