

What does the Bible say about drugs and of our taking drugs?

Well, the Bible says that man was created in the image of God and, therefore, man is a very noble creature and he should not do anything that would defame that nobility. This is true of unsaved men and is true of Christian people. Now, for the believer the Bible also says that our body in a very special sense has become the temple of God and that heightens what we are almost beyond comprehension. We're the temple of God, God lives in us, the Holy Spirit lives in us, Christ lives in us. The Godhead dwells in the believer and that makes his body and his soul and his mind and his heart and his conscience sacred. This is something set apart, or ought to be set apart, for God's use and not for our use. Now, of course, the Bible does not condemn medicine. In a sense medicines are drugs but when properly used they can adjust something that has gone wrong in order to make our body function correctly again. But any misuse of drugs, even medicine, is certainly something that disgraces the body and disgraces God who lives in our body. So a Christian cannot dabble in something like that because his body is sacred, it's a temple to the Lord. There is a very interesting verse about the coming tribulation times, these days of very difficult persecution will come on the earth after the church has been taken to heaven. And we read of those days of great tribulation that in spite of all the outpouring of God's wrath, in spite of the fact that man recognizes that God is doing this still men do not repent of the works of their hands nor will they give up worshipping demons and idols of gold and silver and bronze and stone and wood which can't see or hear or walk. Now listen to this, this is in Revelation 9:21 "nor will they repent of their murders, or their sorceries, or their immorality, or their thefts." Now the interesting thing in that list is the one that's called sorceries. Murders, immorality, thefts - these are violations of some of the earliest commandments God ever gave, including the ten commandments. But sorceries, what is sorceries? Take English letters, or the Greek letters, and you come out with the word pharmacies, that is with the word potion or drugs. It looks to me like from that verse in tribulation days men will give themselves over to excessive use of drugs in order to try to deaden the pain and deaden their sensitivity and deaden what God is doing to them in those days to try to bring them to Himself. If I'm speaking to somebody who is on drugs today, I offer you something that is infinitely better than that. I offer you new life in Jesus Christ.