

Each One! Bless One!

eBlessings' Bible Class Lessons

You Can Make a Difference!

*If you enable a person to live an ungodly lifestyle,
does that make you an accomplice and accountable?*

"¹⁴For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. ¹⁵For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. ²¹Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God."

Romans 8:14-15,21

Enabler. Part Two. Home. (Continued) Father God allow the reader to know that holiness is a requirement for entrance into Heaven and that helping individuals maintain their ungodliness is not what you desire from our service to You or humankind. Help us to do better in Emmanuel's name. Amen.

Sometimes people would come up to me and ask, "Anthony, or Pastor James can you give me \$1.00 or \$5.00." Or "Let me borrow \$10.00 until Friday." Or "Let me have a dollar for a couple of "loosies." Loosie is three cigarettes purchased outside of a pack. Now the people asking are people who drink beer, smoke, cigarettes, drink liquor, or smoke weed (marijuana). Now this places me in a position of enabling their habit or counseling them on their poor habits and poor decisions.

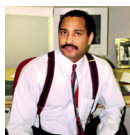
Sometimes, I do not know if they are getting money to support their poor habits because they often bring a lie when they ask. The Holy Spirit often shows me what their real motives are. Then my question to you is: "What would you do if you knew you were supporting someone's poor habit if they were your sister, brother, mother, daughter, son, dad, lover, or friend?"

Let me give a few examples of enabling. Let's say a person is retired and they are a diabetic. You may think it is okay for that person to have any or all kinds of desserts because they are old

and they are going to die soon anyway and they might as well enjoy what few years they have left. You may hear as I have: *“Let them eat what they want. Don’t give them a hard time.”* Know this: Tomorrow is not promised to anyone. So do not think an older person is going to die tomorrow and you are going to live on. It may just be opposite. You may die and that 90-year old person lives on. The elderly person who is diabetic and who is consuming sugars which makes his/her sugar level go to dangerous levels has a death wish and is committing slow suicide. Will s/he get into Heaven? The person or persons who are feeding her or him sugars are enablers and are accomplices in the elderly person’s attempts at slow suicide or his/her sweet indulgences. Will either get to go to Heaven?

Here is another example. Let’s say you have a daughter who lives with you. She is 20 or 19 years old, not in high school, not working and she is living at home. She could be older and she could be a he. But the point is the same. She will not wash her own clothes. She will not cook her own food nor will she contribute to buying any groceries. She does not clean up. But thank God she has a job. But guess what--she does not pay any utility bills, rent, telephone, nor any household bills though she contributes to the total cost of these monthly bills by living there. Now the parents are enabling this child, this girl, this woman to live irresponsibly. She will therefore not only live irresponsibly within her household, but will attempt to live irresponsibly within the greater society. Now, do you think society, you or I, will agree with her irresponsible behavior? Then why should the parents put up with this behavior? Oh, could it be love? I guess the parents never heard of tough love—or just plain real love. Oh, maybe they never got to learn to live responsibly. Let me move on. (TO BE CONTINUED)

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