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- **God Commands Us To Be Sober**
- **Greek words for Sober, Soberly, and Soberminded:**
 - **SOPHRON** – adjective “of sound mind”
 - **NEPHO** – verb “free of intoxicants”
 - **SOPHRONEO** – verb “to think soberly”
 - **SOPHRONIZO** – verb “to train to be of sound mind”
 - **SOPHRONOS** – adverb “soberly” (suggesting self restraint)

TO BE SOBER

- **DICTIONARY DEFINITION**
(Merriam-Webster.com)
- 1
 - **a** : sparing in the use of food and drink : abstemious
 - **b** : not addicted to intoxicating drink
 - **c** : not drunk
- 2
 - marked by sedate or gravely or earnestly thoughtful character or demeanor
- 3
 - unhurried, calm

TO BE SOBER

- **DICTIONARY DEFINITION CONTINUED**
- 4
 - marked by temperance, moderation, or seriousness <a *sober* candlelight vigil>
- 5
 - subdued in tone or color
- 6
 - showing no excessive or extreme qualities of fancy, emotion, or prejudice

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- Our sobriety affects our influence and our effectiveness of teaching others the gospel. (1 Corinthians 15:33-34)
- Our sobriety affects our level of preparation and readiness for final judgment. (1 Thessalonians 5:2-8)

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- Sobriety helps us through the hard times and to do our work, especially teaching and preaching. (2 Timothy 4:5)
- Sobriety helps us set a good example. (Titus 2:6-8) (NKJV)
- Sobriety is what the grace of God teaches. (Titus 2:11-14) (NKJV)

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- Sobriety helps us prepare to do God's will and to focus on the resurrection and second coming of Christ. (1 Peter 1:13-16)
- Sobriety helps us to pray, as the end draws near. (1 Peter 4:7)

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- Sobriety helps us to be alert and to recognize and resist the devil. (1 Peter 5:6-9)
- Sobriety helps us to be humble in our service to God. (Romans 12:1-3)

Related Passages

- Sobriety keeps us from destroying the temple of God. (1 Corinthians 3:16-17)
- Sobriety helps us glorify God in our body. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

Related Passages

- Sobriety denies the lust of the flesh. (Romans 13:13-14)

(Galatians 5:19-21)

NOTE: The original Greek word translated here as "sorcery" is *pharmakeia* which refers to the practice of the magic arts involving the use of potions and poisons, or drugs. It is the word from which we get our word "pharmacy."

Related Passages

- Sobriety helps us to be doers of the word and not delusional hearers only. (James 1:21-22)
- Sobriety helps us to submit to God, avoid and overcome evil and to resist the devil. (1 Thessalonians 5:21-22; James 4:7-8; Romans 12:21)

Related Passages

- Sobriety keeps us from presumptuous sins. (Psalms 19:13-14)
- Sobriety keeps us free from the slavery of sin. (John 8:31-32; Titus 3:3-7; 2 Peter 2:18-22)

THE WILL OF GOD

- Only those who do God's will shall enter the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 7:21)
- It is God's will that we be sober in all things. (2 Timothy 4:5)

Therefore, we must all be of sound judgment and sober spirit in order to enter the kingdom of heaven. (1 Peter 4:7)

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

- Hear the truth
(2 Thessalonians 2:14-15; James 1:21)
- Believe in Jesus, the Son of God
(Hebrews 11:6; John 8:24)
- Repent of sins
Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30-31
- Confess Jesus as Lord
Romans 10:10; Matthew 10:32-33
- Be baptized for forgiveness of sins
Galatians 3:26-27; Romans 6:3-4; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38
- Remain Faithful
Matthew 7:21; Revelation 2:10; Hebrews 3:12