BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES APPLIED TO GAMBLING

Definition of Gambling

“Staking or risking something of value (like money) on the uncertain, chance-based outcome of a future event where wealth changes hands primarily through luck rather than productive labor or real economic value.”

Biblical Principles We Need to Consider:

1. **The warning against the love of money** *(1 Timothy 6:10)*
2. **Faithful stewardship** *(1 Corinthians 4:2)*
3. **Honest labor** *(1 Thessalonians 4:11; 1 Timothy 5:18)*
4. **Not being in bondage** *(1 Corinthians 6:12)*
5. **The dangers of materialism** *(Matthew 6:24)*
6. **Loving neighbor as self** *(Matthew 7:12)*
7. **Doing justice** *(Micah 6:8)*

Biblical Principles Applied to Gambling:

1. **Is it avoiding the love of money** *(1 Timothy 6:10)***?**
2. **Is it faithful stewardship** *(1 Corinthians 4:2)***?**
3. **Is it honest labor** *(1 Thessalonians 4:11; 1 Timothy 5:18)***?**
4. **Is it guarding against being mastered** *(1 Corinthians 6:12)***?**
5. **Is it demonstrating loyal service to God** *(Matthew 6:24)***?**
6. **Is it loving my neighbor** *(Matthew 7:12)***?**
7. **Is it doing justice** *(Micah 6:8)***?**

Think about what Paul wrote in these passages:

- *Romans 12:1-2*
- *Philippians 1:9-11*

Should a child of God be involved in gambling?

God's Plan of Salvation:

- **Hear *(Romans 10:17)***
- **Believe *(Mark 16:15-16)***
- **Repent *(Acts 17:30)***
- **Confess *(Romans 10:9-10)***
- **Baptism *(Acts 2:38)***
- **Faithfulness *(Revelation 2:10)***