

<p>Slide 1</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Part 1</p> <h2 style="text-align: center;">Is Modern Dancing Acceptable Entertainment For The Christian?</h2> <p style="font-size: x-small; text-align: center;">All verses are from the New King James Version unless noted.</p>	<p>DANCING 1</p>
<p>Slide 2</p>	<p>Some Say:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● “I don’t see any harm in it.” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yet things that are truly good, we would never say or ask “Is there any harm in it?” 	<p>E.G., Not a question of “harm in”, coming to church, attending Bible study, visiting those who are in need. But when it comes to some things like smoking, social drinking, mini-skirts, viewing porn, some ask “is there any harm in it?”</p>
<p>Slide 3</p>	<p>One Ranted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● “people need to learn to attend to their own lives and stay out of others....it’s called being a busybody” <i>(Actual FB comment from a mother defending daughter’s right to participate in swing-dance class, Feb. 2010)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Example of why warnings exists in scripture against the hardening effect of sin (Heb. 3:13; 2 Tim. 4:3; etc.) ● What about warning against other like sins (drinking, immodesty, smoking, drugs, etc.)? 	<p>Has not learned that a busybody does not warn people against sin, but is practicing sin.</p>
<p>Slide 4</p>	<p>“Kids (along with some parents) enter the building. Now before they can enter they must have modest dress on and if they don’t they are not allowed to enter. Before anything begins they go over the rules (this is done every time)...There is to be no touching of the body other than the hands. There is no gyrating of the hips or the chest...If there are any problems they are asked to leave. They do not dance with one sole person. If anyone is acting weird to either the girl or the guy that person that is offended goes to the adult and they (the guilty) are confronted and escorted out...After all the rules have been said to all, then they open up in prayer (yes, done by someone not in the church of Christ but one that believes that there is a God)”</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><i>(Email of a permissive father justifying the decision to let his daughter participate in swing-dance classes, 2/12/2010)</i></p>	
<p>Slide 5</p>	<p>“ The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, But he who heeds counsel is wise” (Prov. 12:15)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If dancing is a “pure” activity, why do parents need to chaperon the class? 2. The world doesn’t know how to define modest dress 	

<p>Slide 6</p>	<p>“ The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, But he who heeds counsel is wise” (Prov. 12:15)</p> <p>3. Such parents send their children to a slippery slope</p>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Jeremiah 23:11-14 ✓ Ecclesiastes 10:8 ✓ 1 Kings 21:1-15 ✓ 2 Samuel 11:1-17 </div>	<p>The slippery slope is where you get to the edge of sin and begin sliding down headlong where other sins multiply. Asaph nearly slid away by becoming envious of the boastful (Ps. 73:1-17). Jeremiah warned of this slippery slide which false teachers had made (Jer. 23:11-14). There are other like expressions which convey the same or a similar type of expression (see Eccl. 10:8; Prov. 26:27).</p> <p>There is often a cascading effect of sin. Ahab wanted a vineyard which was not his. He coveted it. He then became greatly displeased when he could not buy it. He became unthankful for what he already had. He then pouted which got Jezebel involved where lying, murder and stealing eventually unfolded.</p>
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<p>Slide 9</p>	<p>How Does THE BIBLE Answer Our Question?</p> <p><i>“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him” (Col. 3:17)</i></p>	

<p>Slide 10</p>	<p>Folly of isolated human reasoning to determine truth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death” (Prov. 14:12; cf. Rom. 6:21) “There is a generation that is pure in its own eyes, Yet is not washed from its filthiness” (Prov. 30:12) “Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience” (Eph. 5:6) 					
<p>Slide 11</p>	<p>Similar To The Subject of Bible Wine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bible recognizes good wine and sinful wine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is not “moderation” but “content” of the cup which makes it evil or good <table border="1" data-bbox="228 663 639 827"> <tr> <td data-bbox="228 663 435 730"> <p>Wine As A BLESSING</p> </td> <td data-bbox="435 663 639 730"> <p>Wine As A CURSE</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="228 730 435 827"> <p>Deut. 7:13; 11:14; Prov. 13:10; Eccl. 9:7; Is. 65:8; Hos. 2:8; etc.</p> <p><i>not intoxicating</i></p> </td> <td data-bbox="435 730 639 827"> <p>Gen. 19:32; Prov. 20:1; 23:29-35; 31:4; Is. 5:11; Hos. 7:5; 1 Pet. 4:3; etc.</p> <p><i>intoxicating</i></p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Wine As A BLESSING</p>	<p>Wine As A CURSE</p>	<p>Deut. 7:13; 11:14; Prov. 13:10; Eccl. 9:7; Is. 65:8; Hos. 2:8; etc.</p> <p><i>not intoxicating</i></p>	<p>Gen. 19:32; Prov. 20:1; 23:29-35; 31:4; Is. 5:11; Hos. 7:5; 1 Pet. 4:3; etc.</p> <p><i>intoxicating</i></p>	
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<p>Slide 12</p>	<p>Dancing?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, And a time to die; A time to plant, And a time to pluck what is planted; A time to kill, And a time to heal; A time to break down, And a time to build up; A time to weep, And a time to laugh; A time to mourn, And a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, And a time to gather stones; A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing (Eccl. 3:1-5) 					
<p>Slide 13</p>	<p>Juxtaposed Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not plant when it is time to pluck The time to break down is not the time to build The time to weep is not the time to laugh The time to mourn is not the time to dance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Dance” means “to skip about” (Online Bible Hebrew Lexicon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> cf. 1 Chron. 15:29, “whirling;” Job 21:11 “dance;” Ps. 29:6; 114:4, 6 “skip;” ; Is. 13:21, “caper;” Joel 2:5 “leap;” Nah. 3:2, “clattering” Solomon had in mind an expression of joy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not a social gathering for men to handle women, in show, competition, exercise or otherwise 					
<p>Slide 14</p>	<p>To Know The Truth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We must accept what the Bible says Accept all that the Bible says Respecting the context of what the Bible says Next lesson: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examples of Bible dancing New Testament warnings and principles 					