

Parents Who Won't, But Kids Who Do

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There is a disturbing trend evident among God's people. We are seeing an increasing tendency on the part of parents to allow their children to do what they would never consider doing themselves. A few examples may illustrate the point:

– Too many Christians are allowing their children to go to movies that they themselves would never attend. Everyone realizes that movies, in general, have become more and more evil. And, there has been a gradual shifting of the ratings scale. Many films that would formerly have carried an R rating are now PG-13. For some reason, parents have decided these are suitable for their kids. They are NOT! If parents don't help their children in choosing to avoid such moral filth, who will? And, we can add the same warning about television shows and the Internet. We hear of way too many kids with TVs and computers in their own rooms, making their own decisions about what they view. This is truly a spiritual disaster.

– More and more Christians are permitting their kids to wear clothes that they wouldn't be caught dead wearing. Shorts, swimming suits, halters, bare midriffs, etc., are becoming common - not just among worldly folks - but by kids in the church! Here's the question: Parents, if you don't dress that way, why do you allow your kids to do so? When do you suppose they will acquire a sense of modesty and shamefacedness if you don't instill it in them now?

– There are many teenagers who are being allowed to attend concerts and other such events that are simply ungodly. Why do parents – who would be ashamed to be seen at such places - permit their kids to go there? Are you not worried about the corrupting influences? Parents, open your eyes! Look! Think! Where is this headed? Where is it leading your kids? Where will they be in another 10 or 15 years?

By then it may be too late.