THE CURSE OF IMPURITY Bv: Dr. Hal Webb. Evangelist

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, hatred. witchcraft, variance. emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings and such like: of the which I tell vou before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." Gal. 5:19-21.

America and much of the world has become a modern Sodom. Evil is now longer considered good, and the proven standards of decency have been pushed aside. Wherever you look and wherever you go immorality has taken over most of mankind. Many in our nation have no love for God, and no interest in keeping His requirements for happy common sense living. Millions do whatever they want, with no thought of the consequences. The fact is Nakedness Is In: I John 2:16 warns about "the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes." Advertisement displays it, style glamorizes it, movies and TV major in it, the unsaved revel in it, and even believers are tempted by it. We are so surrounded and bombarded that it fails to shock many of us. Immorality Is **Increasing:** Gal. 5:19 warns against "adultery, fornication, uncleanness," which is no longer considered by lost men and women to be wrong. Movie stars parade their latest marriage partner, while even some in our churches ignore such a thing as moral standards. Marriage vows are broken with little concern in today's society. Illegitimate Births And **Abortion Are Epidemic:** Teens are playing with childbirth and lustful doctors in clinics are willing to help cover their sin by murder. The majority of abortions are fueled by unsaved young teens, snippily to hide what they have

done. Sinful parents go along with it, and the rights of a newborn are never considered. **Drinking Is Increased:** Alcohol in every form is the Devils tool to grease lust, disease, suicide, murder, divorce, rape, abuse, and a near million deaths every year from drunken driving. Cops seem to be overcome with the death and crime caused by drinking. No one seems to care, and probation days are long gone. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Prov. 20:1 Mental Defilement: Our filthy entertainment media has put away all barriers. Few rules apply and programs feature flesh, nudity, crime, and abuse as subjects of humor instead of warning. Crime shows fill every TV schedule and are the most frequent entertainment loved by sinners. "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." Gen 6:5. It is extremely hard for a spiritual person to maintain an open visible life in the midst of such mental confusion. I have given you some facts and now four Causes need to be exposed. Compromised Preaching: "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins." Isa. 58:1. Most pulpits have lost a strong cry against impurity, and specific sins which are ruining believers. Many preachers are afraid to mention the very sins that are killing the spirituality of their people. The clergy now has sex abusing priests, divorced ministers, clergy family sinning, same sex marriage condoned, and even gay pastors. Some pulpits now contain women preachers, and those who are afraid to warn in truth for fear the church will run them off. We need to get back to ole' time hell fire preaching which was so blessed of God in days gone by. When preachers preach to please peoples ears, they can easily become false prophets, allowing heart pollution in their congregations. Along

with contemporary music, and loose standards the world does not have many to look at for good example in today's churches. (2). Confused Public Opinion: "Woe unto them that call evil good and good evil." Isa 5:20a. Everything has been renamed. A drunkard is an alcoholic, while a harlot is a party girl. A whoremonger is popular, while wild youths are just restless. One who curses is called expressive, a gambler is smart. A sex abuser is simply over sexed, and Homo sexuality is just a matter of choice. Marriage laws are no longer binding, and baby murder by abortion is a woman's right. And on and on. (3). Spineless Politics: "Let them alone, they be blind leaders of the blind, And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch." Matt.15:14. The ditches are full of compromised governmental leaders who promised much, but are deceived into giving little. Many of them live in sin and open immorality as they make believe they are fighting governmental evil. They legalize gambling that has enslaved millions. Currently it appears our top leaders are trying to kill Democracy, the power of the Constitution, and destroy the rights of long time citizens. Gambling and lottery is thriving, abortion murder is allowed, gay rights are allowed, and the slavery of sin is propagated. We need bold, Godly example in our government, and voting is vital to our freedoms. (4). Weak Worldly **Parents:** " Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Prov. 22:6. This is a great promise, but so many parents are failing to obey it, and see the results of God's promise. Weakened example, flawed leadership, and the neglect of moral and decent living, are everywhere. Developing youth largely enjoy whatever they choose, and little parental restraint is evident. We must get back to moral families if we have any hope of returning to a great moral nation. Most parents are raising weak, worldly kids, who care little for Godly rules and great Holy families. Briefly, let me

suggest The Biblical Cure. (1). Acknowledge The Danger: "And be sure your sin will find you out. Num. 32:23b. In all past history man had to see the evil of his ways, and the path of sins ruination. We need to wake up and see what sin is doing to ourselves, our family, and our world. God's final judgment will determine right from wrong. (2). Repentance: "I tell you, Nay; but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:5. Unless we are sorry for the sins that have controlled us, we will never solve this problem. Things will wax worse and worse and great Tribulation awaits mankind. Genuine sorrow over impurity and all evil would be a great step back to righteousness. (3). Confession: "Now therefore confession unto the Lord God of your fathers, and do his pleasure." Ezra 10:11a. Our nation and our people need to come clean with God. Man must stop doing that which God forbids, and acknowledge the guilt. America needs to return to the Godly nation once respected by the world. (4). Separation: "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you." II Cor. 6:17. We need to stop the gambling, restrict the sinning, move against all crime, forbid abortion murder, expect truth in government, and personally cut all evil from our lives. Of course the unsaved need to accept Christ, and we who are saved be careful not to involve ourselves in things that are wrong. (5). Future Diligence: "Keep thyself pure." I Tim. 5:22b. We must constantly guard against reinfection by the destructive tools of Satan. Be sure to acknowledge your weakness, and avoid temptation. Plot a new Godly course for you and your family, and eliminate that which in the past has injured you. Pray for the evil leaders to be replaced, and vote wisely to replenish our governing leaders. America can still be a nation of righteousness in these final days. Pray, pray, pray!