

## **“THINKABOUTIT” THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

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Have you noticed the role that alcohol plays in our society? We can't wait to see the newest commercials for it, we debate whether it should be taxed and pass laws about how old you should be before you consume it. We make determinations about the amount a person can have in their system and safely operate a vehicle. We even discuss who can sell it and where it can be sold. The consumption of alcohol has a prominent place in our community.

The use of alcohol has been around for thousands of years; but, so have the warnings that have been placed on it. In fact, one of the wisest men to ever walk the face of the earth, King Solomon noted, "Do not look on the wine when it is red, when it sparkles in the cup, when it goes down smoothly; at the last it bites like a serpent, and stings like a viper. Your eyes will see strange things, and your mind will utter perverse things." (Proverbs 23:31-33) As we rationally debate all these issues surrounding alcohol, let's not forget the emotional and social consequences it can do when it abused.

Think about it! For the Madison Avenue Church of Christ; this is Charlie Wharton.