

Movies/TV

1. Review the points made concerning music. These same points can be made for movies/TV.
2. Is there anything positive about movies/TV? Yes. These can be used for wholesome entertainment, education, news, weather, etc. TV/videos have been used to teach the Bible.
3. Consider the influence on yourself. We are responsible for what we “feed” our mind. What we hear and see affects how we think (Prov. 4:23; 23:7; 1 Cor. 11:1; 1 Pet. 2:21). Think on what is good (Phil. 4:8)! What is in front of your eyes (Psa. 101:3)? Don’t be fooled by the movie industry “rating system” (R, PG-13, G, etc.). Here are a few negative (sinful) messages found in many movies/TV programs: bad language, graphic violence, nudity, sexual immorality, crime, unrealistic views of life, wrong heroes, anti-religion, etc.
4. Consider your influence on others (Prov. 22:1; Mt. 5:13; etc.). What will others be influenced to do by my watching this movie/TV program?
5. Consider how you use your time (Eph. 5:16). Am I spending too much of my time in front of the TV? I don’t have time to take care of myself and others; do my work; do the Lord’s work; etc.
6. As with many practices promoted by the world, use good judgment (Rom. 12:2). Be courageous enough to change the channel, turn it off, or don’t look at it to start with. Control it if necessary. Avoid it if necessary.