

**A DIVINE DESTINY**

**NOT**

**A DEAD END**

# THE DILEMMA

- Sadly, too many people today are drawn to self-destructive activities and practices like moths are drawn to a flame.
- These people, just like that moth, have an attraction for the very things that lead to their demise.
- They are drawn to the brilliance, brightness, colorfulness and lovely glow of the flame of “fun and excitement.”
- Those people who continue on this perilous path are as the old folks used to say; “HELL BENT AND HELL BOUND.”

# THE CULPRIT

- The devil has set obvious traps that lead to a dead end.
- The word “obvious” is used to describe the devil’s traps because the Holy Word declares that “We are not ignorant of the devil’s devices.”
- Jesus reveals that the devil’s traps are designed to lead people to a dead end by stating; “The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.”
- Yet, people are drawn to the very places and things whose mere name indicate that they are the devil’s death traps and there function and purpose leads to a dead end.

# THE DEVIL'S DEATH TRAPS TO A DEAD END

Provided are a few of the most successful places and things that the devil uses to attract many people away from a divine destiny and to a dead end. (Please note that the meaning of the named places and things are contained in parenthesis)

## THE PLACES

- Bar – (A fastener, impediment, obstacle)
- Club – (A heavy stick, to beat or strike)
- Lounge – (A lazy manner, to pass time idly)
- Casino – (A room or house for gambling or a risky undertaking or venture. – Also note the word “sin” is found in the center of the word casino.)
- Saloon – (Alcoholic or intoxicating or poison; a substance that causes death or injury; destructive; a place for exhibitions or foolish public behavior)

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## THE THINGS

- Rap – (To hit sharply-swiftly, to snatch, reprimand, negative quality or characteristic or person or object.)
- Hip Hop – (Limp, lame, bounce from place to place, unstable.)
- Party – (From Latin word “partiri” meaning to divide into parts.)
- Drug – (To stupefy or make unable to think or feel properly, strike senseless)
- Dope – (A narcotic that prohibits progress and alters performance)
- Weed – (Something useless, detrimental, undesirable, troublesome; a sign of mourning)
- Crack – (To break or snap apart, to decompose, reduce)

# DELIVERANCE TO A DIVINE DESTINY

- ◉ Jesus has obvious divine deliverables that are linked to a divine destiny.
- ◉ Jesus was lifted up in order to draw all men to places and things whose mere name indicate they are divine treasures and lead to abundant, eternal life.

# JESUS DELIVERS A DIVINE DESTINY

Come unto Jesus and receive what He delivers to those with a divine destiny.

- Anointing – (Unction, a consecratory gift)
- Blessing – (Happiness)
- Compassion – (An inward affection, tender mercy)
- Deliverance – (To be rescued or set free)
- Hope – (Confidence, faith)
- Heavenly Home – (A dwelling place)

# JESUS DELIVERS A DIVINE DESTINY CONTINUED

- ◉ Love (Unconditional affection, unconditional attention; so love-  
so longsuffering, unending, kind, enduring)
- ◉ Prosperity (Abundance, good things-good health, beautiful,  
bountiful, cheerful, at ease - rest safely, quietness, tranquility,  
peace, security, favor, precious, sweet, well)
- ◉ Salvation – (Preservation from harm, ruin, or loss)
- ◉ The Holy Ghost (He shall teach you all things, and bring all things  
to your remembrance, consolation, inspiration)
- ◉ Wonderful (Things to high, marvelous things)



# **WE HAVE A DIVINE DESTINY NOT A DEAD END**

- We know the thoughts that God thinks toward those who are His, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give them an expected end not a dead end.
- We have something and someone we have longed for.
  - > We have a residence in heavenly places.
  - > We have reservations on high in the Holy of Holies.
  - > We have an eternal expectancy of everlasting experiences.

**WE HAVE JESUS CHRIST  
FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN**

**“For I know the thoughts that I think  
toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts  
of peace, and not of evil, to give you  
an expected end.”**

**(Jeremiah 29:11)**

**“But as it is written, Eye hath not seen,  
nor ear heard, neither have entered  
into the heart of man, the things  
which God hath prepared for them  
that love Him. But God hath  
revealed them unto us by His Spirit:  
for the Spirit searcheth all things,  
yea, the deep things of God.”**

**(1 Corinthians.2:9-10)**

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