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THE SEVEN PRAYER MOUNTAINS – LESSON 10

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The seventh and final “mountain of influence” that we discuss is, “Arts and Entertainment.” This includes television, movies, video games, magazines, and books. Through these channels of entertainment, messages about marriage, sex, family, social values, morality, and politics are sent out. Our “ear gates” and “eye gates” to the soul are exposed to all of it. In this way, “they” can influence how we think and what we come to believe and accept.

When I grew up in the 1950’s, we Pentecostals did not go to movies; we saw them as worldly entertainment in the hands of the devil. That has now been proven to be absolutely true. Nothing is more corrupt than Hollywood.

Video games that cause young ones to be addicted are usually based on extreme violence and witchcraft. It brings demonic attachments that alter behavior. Magazines make heroes out of people who are morally bankrupt.

Video streaming channels such as Netflix, although seemingly innocuous, put forth movies that give subtle messages supporting immorality. An exception is Pureflix that only shows movies that fit within Christian values. In fact, many actually have a Christian theme.

There have been a few companies emerging that produce Christian movies, some of which became box office hits in recent years. They are not connected to Hollywood. There are a few Christian actors in Hollywood (not many), but they have trouble getting work. Meanwhile, the LGBTQ lobby is now insisting that at least 20% of all actors hired for movies must be gay or lesbian.

There has probably been no force stronger in tearing down morality than the entertainment business. This is a “prayer mountain” that needs our full attention to “move” it in a better direction.

Prayer points:

1. Pray to pull down the forces of darkness that permeate the entertainment world.
2. Pray that Christians will rise up to become movie producers, magazine editors, authors, video game creators, actors, and leaders in professional sports.
3. Pray that entertainment of all types would have a shift toward righteousness