

ROCK MUSIC:

BAD, BUT I LIKE IT

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Introduction

What do Steve Green, the Beatles, Amy Grant, Don Moen, Britney Spears, Hillsong, Westlife, Loveholic, Seo Tae Ji, Kitchie Nadal, and Gary V have in common?

What do the following music excerpts have in common?

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Introduction

- ✓ What is the one style of music that seems to be the most popular all over the world?
- ✓ **ROCK MUSIC**
 - ✓ In all its many forms and sub-styles

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- ✓ I John 4.1
 - ✓ Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

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I. Bad history

- ✓ John 8.44
 - ✓ Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

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I. Bad history

- ✓ Jazz
- ✓ Old Country Western music (1930-40)
- ✓ Rhythm & Blues
- ✓ Worldly gospel music
- ✓ Pagan ethnic musics

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II. Bad start

- ✓ Eph. 6.1 & 2
 - ✓ Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise:)

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II. Bad start

- ✓ Change in culture
- ✓ Rebellion against restraint

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III. Bad words

- ✓ Eph. 5.3 & 4
 - ✓ But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.

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III. Bad words

- ✓ Subject matter of majority of lyrics

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IV. Bad (musical) language

- ✓ Col. 3.8
 - ✓ But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

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IV. Bad (musical) language

- ✓ Use of rhythm
- ✓ Use of repetition
- ✓ Singing style

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V. Bad fruit

- ✓ Rev. 20.13
 - ✓ And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

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V. Bad fruit

- ✓ Performance style
- ✓ Lifestyle of performers
- ✓ Dance styles
- ✓ Affect on listeners

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Conclusion

- ✓ I John 2.15-16
 - ✓ Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

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Conclusion

- ✓ Is this the right kind of music for the worship of our Lord?
- ✓ Is this the right kind of music for the enjoyment of the believer?

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Conclusion

- ✓ Does rock music (Christian or secular) make you want to...
 - ✓ Read your Bible everyday?
 - ✓ Pray more?
 - ✓ Be more godly?
 - ✓ Witness to the lost more?
 - ✓ Obey/respect the authorities in your life?
 - ✓ Be less like the world:
 - ✓ in what you wear?
 - ✓ what you look at on TV/video/Internet?
 - ✓ in what you do with your free time?

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30-Day Challenge

- ✓ Rock music fast
 - ✓ No rock music in any form (CDs, Mp3, radio, TV, video, etc.)
 - ✓ Everything else remains the same
 - ✓ After 30 days, examine your walk with the Lord

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