



Being A Good Influence For God

I Cor. 15:33

What is influence? Influence is the ability of a person to compel others to think, feel or behave in a specific manner.

If we are to have a good influence for God, the Church, and the community, you cannot hang around with bad influence.

Breaking down I Cor. 15:33

Be not deceived – The word deceived means to go astray.

- The idea is we are to keep our thoughts aligned with truth, good and right so we don't go astray into deceptive thinking.

Evil – It is a word that means worthless or morally corrupt.

- This is a person who is bad at the core. Their hearts are not good toward God.

Communication – It means sharing with a companion on a deep level.

- A person of evil communications is one who works against you.
- What are we to do?
- We are to evaluate our close friendships to see if they are good for us or bad for us in keeping with God and His purpose.

Corrupt – Means to wither, to waste away

Good Manner – Means right moral practice

- To maintain a life that God can and will bless, we need to help one another continue in living lives being an influence that reflect the character and goodness of our Lord Jesus Christ.