

## Case Study Part 2 – “Profit”

### 2.9 Fun and Entertainment

You are the owner of an electronics capital equipment business operating in a very competitive industry. Apart from quoting competitive prices and delivering quality products, to secure regular sales orders, you need to cultivate and maintain cordial and favourable relationships with the decision-makers of your buyers.

The standard practice for entertainment is to take clients or prospective buyers to karaoke and then to massage parlours for after-hours “fun”. In the past, you have been comfortable meeting these entertainment expectations without hesitation. However, for almost a year now, you have accepted Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, and you are becoming increasingly uncomfortable continuing this practice, as you know this is not the rightful living that pleases the Lord.

#### Discussion

How would you resolve this without offending your clients? What would you do?

**Ephesians 5:11** “Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.” (ESV)

**Galatians 5:19-21** Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. (ESV)

**Matthew 5:28** “But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.” (ESV)

**1 Corinthians 10:13** “No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.” (ESV)

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**1 Corinthians 6:18-20** “Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.” (ESV)

**1 Thessalonians 4:3-5** “For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honour, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God;” (ESV)

**Philippians 4:8** “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.” (ESV)