

## Is it okay for a believer to go to a DIDDY party or Nyege Nyege Festival and the like?

**Recap:** The last few weeks we started teaching about how we ought to live as believers. We showed you from the Word of God, not our own opinions. We saw that we are not of the world, even if we are in the world.

- John 17:14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 1 John 2:15-17
- James 4:4

Today we want to continue the same subject speaking about how believers ought to have fun and which boundaries ought to be exercised.

Some of you may have heard of the **PIDDY PARTY** and parties of the same sought that are filled with the world—lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes and the pride of life—all sexual perversions, drinking, merrymaking, and all ungodly sexual activity you could imagine, worldly music, partner swapping, and all forms of demonic and/or sexual promiscuity. If you are in the US, you have heard or you will hear about these things, but if you are in Uganda, you probably have heard about the NYEGE NYEGE Festival.

The NYEGE NYEGE is one and the same with the PIDDY PARTY “Freak offs.”

Actually, Nyege Nyege simply means something to do with SEX, Lust, or horny, “a sudden, uncontrollable urge to dance.”. So, this festival is a Lust and **SEX SEX FESTIVAL**.

Saying that the "SEX SEX FESTIVAL" is all about Uganda's cultural richness and resilience is pure lies. It was founded or started by Arlen Dilsizian and Derek Debru.

**Lesson:** We clearly see the appearance of evil and according to 1 Thessalonians 5:22, we are commanded to "Abstain from all appearance of evil." The appearance of evil is apparent in the name of the festival.

What happens there? It is allegedly reported in the NYEGE NYEGE Festival, people from all walks of life and countries come in and have sex with whomever, strangers, prostitution, orgies, masturbation, witchcraft, Homosexuality, witchcraft, Orgies, open sex, masturbation, and all demonic sexual perversions, lusts, and all forms of unimaginable fornication, adultery, and perversion. This is exactly what the Word says is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life.

Question is—Should a believer be a part of these? In Uganda should a Christian attend the Nyege Nyege Festival? Given what we know happens in these parties, what we have learned, is it right, fit or godly for a believer?

1) **Main Text:** Colossians 3:1-8 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. 5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: 6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: 7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. 8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

A) You are risen with Christ

a) A child of God who thinks it okay to go to these parties and festivals is either:

- i) Deceived
- ii) Ignorant
- iii) Lacks knowledge of the Word of God
- iv) Is not spirit-filled, and possibly not born again.

These things are for the world, not for you a child of God.

B) Seek those things which are above (spiritual, heavenly and kingdom things)—Matthew 6:33.

a) We are to seek the things above (Spiritual things). **HOW?**

Set your affection on the things above (spiritual things), not earthly and worldly things.

- i) We set (Stay, fix) our mind on the things of the Spirit by **focusing our attention and thoughts on the things of the Spirit such as** the risen Lord who is at the right hand of God, Christ who is our life, Our life is hid in Christ, we shall appear in glory.
- ii) Nyege Nyege Festival is seeking the world and earthly things, not things above or spiritual things and what you find there is:
  - o fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry.
  - o If you are a child of God, a born-again believer, refrain from going to these worldly parties and festivals such as Nyege Nyege Festival.
  - o Why?—They are not of God. They represent nothing of God and fully contradict your Christian biblical beliefs and values.

- b) Notice: The way we are to put to death our members on the earth is by Colossians 3:2 (Setting our minds on the things above—Spiritual), not by **willpower**.
- 2) Romans 8:13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye **through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live**.
  - A) Notice that it is by the Spirit that we mortify or put to death the deeds of the body.
    - a) It's not by ten steps, not by self-effort and willpower, not by our power, not by might. It's the Spirit of God that does that.
    - b) How? You just focus (have your mind set) on the things of the Spirit, then the Spirit will flow into your soul and body and will put them to death.
    - c) By focusing and setting our mind on the Law of Spirit of life in Christ Jesus sets us free from the law of sin and death.
  - B) We received the greatest **miracle of salvation** by not focusing on ourselves but entirely on Jesus.
  - C) We took your eyes off of yourself unto Jesus entirely. Instantly, we changed from sinner to saint and from death to life. Therefore, why would all the transformation we need that is lesser when compared to salvation be any different or more complicated? We must be entirely focused on Jesus (Hebrews 12:1-2).
- 3) Romans 6:11 "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord."
  - A) We can't reckon ourselves dead to sin without the mind.
    - a) We have to see ourselves dead to sin and treat ourselves dead to sin.
  - B) "Dead to sin" means to forget like a dead man, out of mind (Psalm 31:1) am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel.
  - C) Alive to God means to remember, to focus our attention, set our mind on God.
    - a) You are dead to what you do not focus on, to what has none of your attention, but you are alive to what you focus on and put your attention on.

b) If you are focused on sin, it will control, dominate, and influence you. It is empowered through focus. Whatever we focus on, we empower—God or sin.

D) Any attempt we make to overcome sin in our own willpower is a focus on sin.

4) 2 Timothy 2:19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity

5) Ephesians 5:1-5 1 Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; 2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. 3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; 4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. 5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.