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THOUGHTS into SPEECH.

It is called— **Alcohol**.

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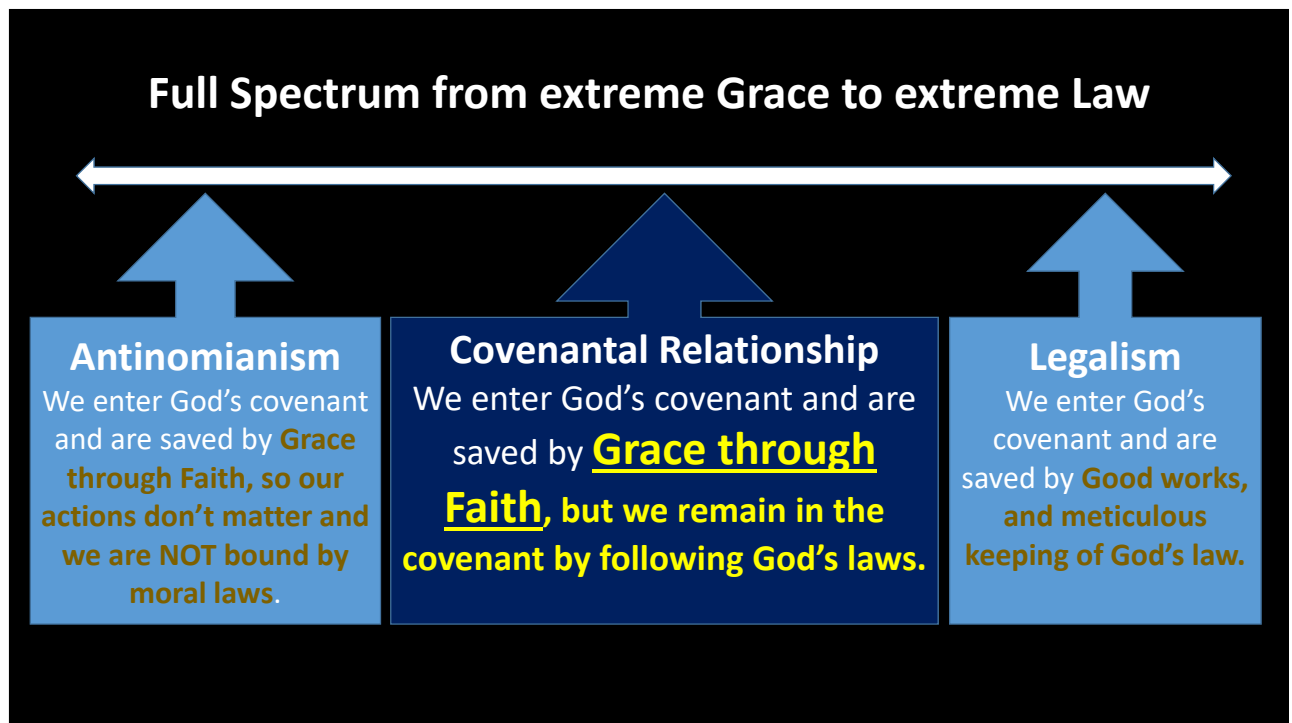
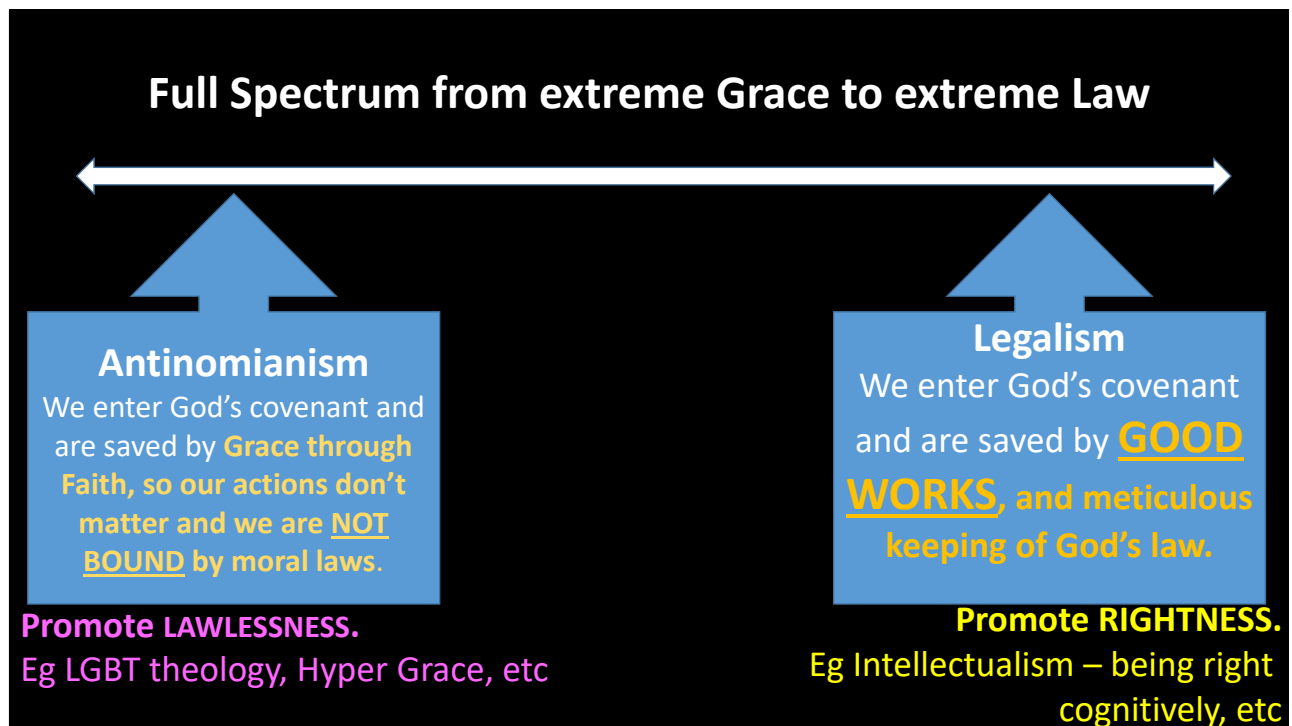
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How to develop a “Sober Mind”?

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- Develop Biblical Worldview
- **Cultivate Learning Posture** *eg Investigate opposing views objectively*

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- Embrace the challenge, don't ignore it.
- Take "selfie" = look at self from another angle.
- Form likeminded communities

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53.76 εὐαγγελιστής, οὗτος ὁ: **one who announces the gospel—‘evangelist.’** Though the term εὐαγγελιστής indicates only an individual who ‘announces the gospel,’ early usage would suggest that this was often a person who **went from place to place** announcing the good news.

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Affirming the commission of Jesus

- Mk 16:15 And He said to them, “Go into all the world and **preach the gospel** to all creation.

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William Hendriksen, New Testament scholar and writer of Bible commentaries:

- In every period of history there will be a season during which **men refuse to listen** to sound doctrine. As history continues onward toward the consummation, this situation **grows worse**, men **will not endure** to tolerate the truth.

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How to start?

- Develop a burden for souls.
- Develop a passion to share.

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How to finish well?

- Personal Mission Statement + BOD
- Witness of the Holy Spirit

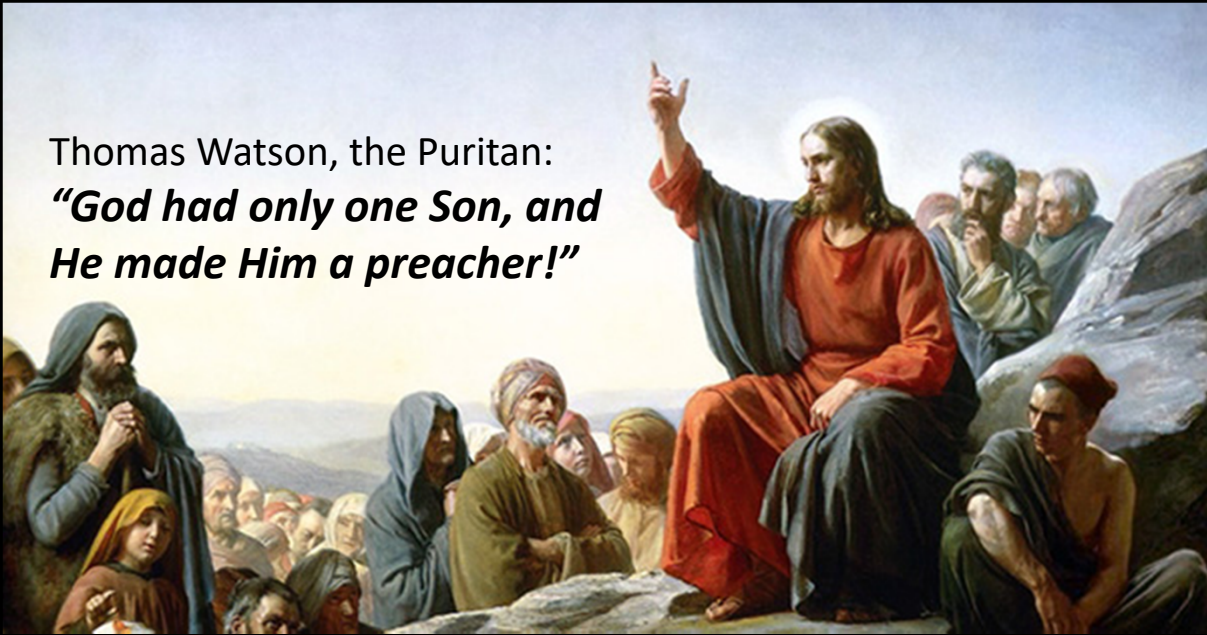
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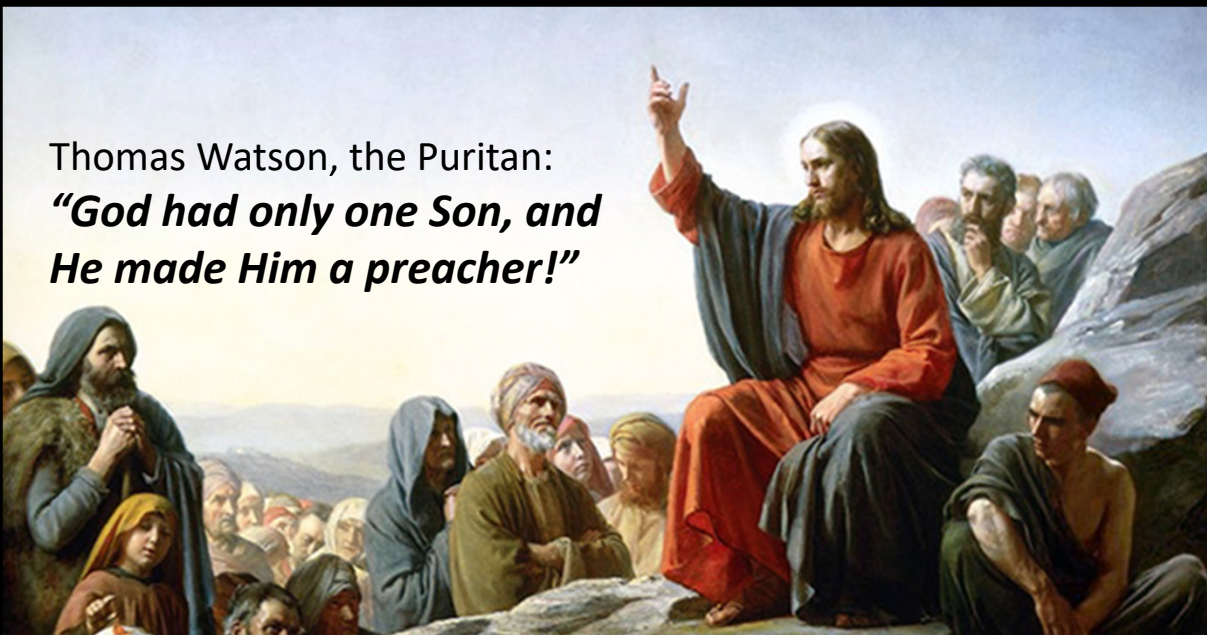
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