

Who Is to Blame?

We read in the papers and hear it on the air of killing and stealing and crime everywhere. We sigh and we say as we notice the trend; "This young generation...where will it end?" But can we be sure that it's their fault alone? Are we less guilty, who place in their way too many things that lead them astray? Too much money, too much idle time; too many movies of passion and crime. Too many books not fit to be read; too much evil in what they hear said. Too many children encouraged to roam; too many parents who won't stay home. Kids don't make the movies; they don't write the books. They don't paint the pictures of gangsters and crooks. They don't make the liquor; they don't run the bars; they don't change the laws and don't make the cars. They don't make the drugs that muddle the brain; that's all done by older folks... eager for gain. Delinquent teenagers, oh how we condemn the sins of the nation and blame it on them. Instead of placing blame, let's fix the cause and remember as we pause that in so many cases – it's sad but it's true – the title "delinquent" fits older folks too! – Unknown "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34)

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