

## Intoxicants / Alcohol

***{2:219} they ask you about intoxicants and games of chance. Say: In both of them there is a great sin and means of profit for men, and their sin is greater than their profit. And they ask you as to what they should spend. Say: What you can spare. Thus does Allah make clear to you the communications that you may ponder?***

***Comment: "and their sin is greater than their profit" this principle can be applied to explain the reasoning of all the laws of Islam. Some of the things that are prohibited by Islam may seem beneficial but their benefit is greatly out weighted by their harm. Many of these un-Islamic desires are superficial and deceptive.***

***{5:90} O you who believe! Intoxicants and games of chance and (sacrificing to) stones set up and (dividing by) arrows are only an uncleanness, the Satan's work; shun it therefore that you may be successful.***

***{5:91} The Shaitan only desires to cause enmity and hatred to spring in your midst by means of intoxicants and games of chance, and to keep you off from the remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you then desist?***

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