**The Dangers of Drug Medication – Morphine**

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Morphine>

**Morphine** **–** (INN) ( /ˈmɔrfiːn/; MS Contin, MSIR, Avinza, Kadian, Oramorph, Roxanol, Kapanol) is a potent opiate analgesic medication and is considered to be the prototypical opioid.

**Morphine** is the most abundant alkaloid **found in opium,** the dried sap (latex) derived from shallowly slicing the unripe seedpods of the opium, or common and/or edible, poppy, Papaver somniferum.

**Morphine** was the first active principle purified from a plant source and is one of at least 50 alkaloids of several different types present in opium, Poppy Straw Concentrate, and other poppy derivatives.

**Morphine** is generally 8 to 17 percent of the dry weight of opium.

**BIBLE:**

“...in vain thou shalt **use many medicines,** for **thou shalt not be cured.”** (Jeremiah 46:11)

**SOP:**

“I was shown that the innocent, modest-looking, white poppy yields **a dangerous drug.** **Opium is a slow poison,** when taken in small quantities. **In large doses it produces lethargy and death.** Its effects upon the nervous system are ruinous.” (4aSG 138.3)

“Nux vomica, or strychnine, and **opium have killed their millions,** and have left thousands upon the earth to linger out a wretched, suffering existence, a burden to themselves, and those around them.” {4aSG 139.1}

**“This drug-poison, opium, gives temporary relief from pain, but does not remove the cause of pain.** **It only** **stupefies the brain,** rendering it incapable of receiving impressions from the nerves. While the brain is thus insensible, the hearing, the taste, and sight are affected. When the influence of opium wears off, and the brain arouses from its state of paralysis, the nerves, which had been cut off from communication with the brain, shriek out louder than ever the pains in the system, because of the additional outrage the system has sustained in receiving this poison. **Every additional drug given to the patient, whether it be opium, or some other poison, will complicate the case, and make the patient’s recovery more hopeless.** The drugs given to stupefy, whatever they may be, derange the nervous system. An evil, simple in the beginning, which nature aroused herself to overcome, and which she would have done had she been left to herself, **has been made ten-fold worse by drug-poisons being introduced into the system,** which is a destructive disease of itself, forcing into extraordinary action the remaining life-forces to war against and overcome the drug-intruder.” {2SM 447.6}

**“Those who use opium cannot render to God any more acceptable service than can the drunkard,** or the tobacco-user. Those who break off the use of this nerve and brain-destroying practice will have to possess fortitude, and suffer, as will the drunkard, and the tobacco slave, when deprived of their body and mind-destroying indulgences. God is displeased that his followers should become slaves to habits which ruin body and mind. {4aSG 139.1}

“Some will have medicine at all events. Then let them take these hurtful mixtures and the various deadly poisons upon their own responsibility. **God’s servants should not administer medicines which they know will leave behind injurious effects upon the system, even if they do relieve present suffering.**

**Every poisonous preparation in the vegetable and mineral kingdoms, taken into the system, will leave its wretched influence,** affecting the liver and lungs, and deranging the system generally.” —Spiritual Gifts Volume 4a, 140. {HL 245.1}

**“There is a** **terrible account to be rendered to God** by men who have so little regard for human life as to treat the body ruthlessly, in dealing out drugs...**We are not excusable if, through ignorance, we destroy God’s building by taking into the stomach poisonous drugs under a variety of names we do not understand.** It is our duty to refuse all such prescriptions.”—Unpublished Testimonies, December 4, 1896. {HL 246.3}

**WHY SOME DON'T DIE FROM MORPHINE AND OTHERS DO**

**“This drug does not have the same effect upon all. Some who have powerful constitutions can recover** from abuses to which they may subject the system. While others, whose hold of life is not as strong, who possess enfeebled constitutions, have never recovered from receiving into the system even one dose, and **many die from no other cause than the effects of one portion of this poison.** Its effects are always tending to death. The condition the system is in, at the time these poisons are received into it, determine the life of the patient...” {2SM 449.1}

**“The only safe course is to touch not, taste not, handle not, tea, coffee, wines, tobacco, opium, and alcoholic drinks...**The only perfectly safe course to pursue is to **stand firmly on the side of temperance** and not venture in the path of danger.” {3T 488.1}

**“MORE DEATHS HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY DRUG-TAKING THAN FROM ALL OTHER CAUSES COMBINED.** If there was in the land one physician in the place of thousands, a vast amount of premature mortality would be prevented. **Multitudes of physicians, and multitudes of drugs, have cursed the inhabitants of the earth,** and have **carried thousands and tens of thousands** **to untimely graves.”** {2SM 450.2}

**TAKING DRUGS = A LACK OF FAITH**

“...Oh, how great are the possibilities that He has placed without our reach! He says, “Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He will give it you.” He promises to come to us as a Comforter to bless us. Why do we not believe these promises? **That which we lack in faith we make up by the use of drugs.** Let us **GIVE UP THE DRUGS,** believing that Jesus does not desire us to be sick, and that **if we live according to the principles of health reform, he will keep us well.”** {19MR 51.2}

**WHAT TO DO IN THE PLACE OF DRUGS:**

**“By the use of poisonous drugs, many bring upon themselves lifelong illness,** and many lives are lost that might be saved by the use of natural methods of healing. The poisons contained in many so-called remedies create habits and appetites that mean **ruin to both soul and body.** Many of the popular nostrums called patent medicines, and even some of the **drugs dispensed by physicians,** act a part in laying the foundation of the liquor habit, the opium habit, the morphine habit, that are **so terrible a curse to society.”** {MH 126.4}

“The only hope of better things is in the education of the people in right principles. **Let physicians teach the people that restorative power is not in drugs, but in nature.** **Disease is an effort of nature to free the system from conditions that result from a violation of the laws of health.** **In case of sickness, the cause should be ascertained.** Unhealthful conditions should be changed, **wrong habits corrected.** Then nature is to be assisted in her effort to expel impurities and to re-establish right conditions in the system.” {MH 127.1}

**“Pure air, sunlight, abstemiousness, rest, exercise, proper diet, the use of water, trust in divine power—these are the true remedies.**

**EVERY PERSON should have a knowledge of nature’s remedial agencies** **and how to apply them.** **It is essential both to understand the principles involved in the treatment of the sick and to have a practical training that will enable one rightly to use this knowledge.”**  {MH 127.2}

**MEDICAL SCIENCE:**

**Morphine overdose causes death** through respiratory depression. Most of the time, especially if another person is not present to administer CPR, any overdose will be fatal since the person will often be too incapacitated to send for help, or will actually be unconscious already.

**Read more:** <http://www.drugs-forum.com/forum/showwiki.php?title=Morphine#ixzz1WDVGVBMq>

**SOP ABBREVIATIONS:**

**2SM =** Selected Messages, Volume 2

**3T =** Testimonies for the Church, Volume 3

**4aSG =** Spiritual Gifts, Volume 4a

**HL =** Healthful Living

**MH =** Ministry of Healing

**\*\*\*This Health Nugget is being done in memory of my closest earthly friend of 30 years who went into a hospital on August 6, 2011,** **was given Morphine,** and the next thing you know, she was on a respirator and kidney dialysis and **died 10 days later.** There are many others I know of who also died after being given

Morphine. --Christine Guardo

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