Infected and Unaware: HIV Hitting America's Youth



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Note from Pastor Kevin Lea: This article accurately points out that the homosexual and "sexually active" lifestyles are spreading an incurable disease to thousands of youth every year, which is costing taxpayers an additional \$4.8 billion per year (cumulative).

So what does the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) think the problem is? It's those crazy people who say that the homosexual lifestyle should not be embraced because it is unhealthy, unnatural, costly, and an abomination to the God who made us (better known as homophobic hate-mongers). In other words, those who tell the truth are the problem and the lie must continue to be coddled, protected, and given legal protection even at the cost of our youth and nation. It appears we are most certainly approaching the last of the last days.

Those who fear God should use this information to remind their children that the sin of immorality has an increasing probability of leading to physical suffering and early death. However, if they obey God's word, remain virgins until marriage and faithful to their spouse, then they have nothing to worry about (except the increasing taxes to support those who do not).

1 Corinthians 6:18-20 – Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins **against his** [her] **own body**. Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. NKJV

(Reuters) - More than half of young people in the United States who are infected with HIV are not aware of it, according to a report by government health officials that zeroes in on one of the remaining hot spots of HIV infection in America.

Young people ages 13 to 24 account for 26 percent of all new HIV infections, according to the report by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which was released on Tuesday in advance of World AIDS Day on December 1.

"Given everything we know about HIV and how to prevent it in 30 years of fighting the disease, it's just unacceptable that young people are becoming infected at such high rates," CDC Director Dr. Thomas Frieden said on a conference call with reporters.

Every month, 1,000 young people in America become infected with HIV, an incurable infection that costs \$400,000 to treat over a lifetime, Frieden said. If left untreated, HIV infection leads to AIDS and early death. "The data are stark and worrying," Dr. Kevin Fenton, director of the National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention at the CDC, said in a telephone interview.

In 2010, 72 percent of the estimated 12,000 new HIV infections in young people occurred in young men who have sex with men, and nearly half of new infections were among young, black males. "We are particularly concerned about what is happening with HIV among young black gay and bisexual men," Fenton said. "They account for 39 percent of all new infections among youth and more than half of new infections among young men who have sex with men."

Fenton said the proportion of young people infected with HIV has remained relatively stable during the last few years, but infection rates appear to be increasing in these populations.

And because many of the newly infected gay or bisexual males are just beginning to explore their sexuality, stigma and homophobia are making HIV testing and treatment far more challenging...

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