

ADDICTION IN PLAIN SIGHT

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Isaiah 40:6-8 *A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. ⁷The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the LORD blows on it; surely the people are grass. ⁸The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

I. Introduction

- Credit to Heather Starkweather, LSW, who took the photos from a mall in a small town. Your stores will have these products, too. They are available online.
- Nothing in these photos addresses the heart issues (or mentalities of an addict) but biblical counseling does.

II. Products with **Obvious** Drug References

III. Stash Compartments (mimic real products)

- A. Carmex/chapstick
- B. Lighters
- C. Sharpies
- D. Water bottles/soda cans
- E. Shoes (sneakers, boots, flip flops)
- F. Deodorant
- G. Pockets in hats/beanies

IV. Products with **Non-Obvious** Drug References for Marijuana

- A. 420
- B. Mile High
- C. Jamaican flag/Rastafarian colors
- D. Bob Marley
- E. Palm trees
- F. Oil Wells OIL:710

VI. Products with **Non-Obvious** Drug References for Ketamine also called Cat Tranquilizer, Cat Valium, Kit Kat.

- A. Cats/kittens
 - B. Black Meowgic
- VII. Products with **Non-Obvious** Drug References for Psychedelics & Hallucinogens (i.e. LSD, Mushrooms)
- A. Aliens/space
 - B. Mushrooms
 - C. Alice in Wonderland
- VIII. Products with **Non-Obvious** Drug References for “Sizzurp” (Sprite or Mtn Dew mixed with Cough Syrup with Codeine)
- A. Purple drinks
 - B. Panda bears
- IX. Products with **Non-Obvious** Drug References for Medical Marijuana - the green cross has grown into a symbol of the medical marijuana industry.
- X. Products with **Non-Obvious** Drug References for Ecstasy/MDMA – Molly, smiley faces, crowns
- XI. Dirty Ghetto Kids - skateboard company with apparel

Stores Selling These Products:

- <http://www.zumiez.com/>
- <http://www.rue21.com/store/>
- <http://www.earthboundtrading.com/>
- <https://www.tillys.com/>
- <http://www.fye.com/>
- <http://new-age-spirit.com/>
- <http://www.hottopic.com/>
- <http://www.spencersonline.com/>

XII. Conclusion: Now Let’s Address the Heart of Addiction!

Heb. 4:12 *For the Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*