

Enduring Temptation

James 1:12 & 2-3 Blessed *is* the man that endures temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him. - My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith works patience.

Matthew 6:13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Matthew 26:41, Mark 14:38, & Luke 22:40/46 Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Steps Enduring with Temptation:

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| 1. Recognize it | 2 Cor 2:11 |
| 2. Resist it | James 4:7 |
| 3. Be Patient in it | James 1:4 |
| 4. Escape it | 1 Cor 10:13 |

Steps Dealing with Temptation:

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| 1. Know your limits | Prov 4:14-15, 1 Cor 8:9 |
| 2. Take Preventive Actions | Rom 12:2 |
| 3. Know thy enemy | Luke 4:13, 1 Peter 5:8 |
| 4. Quote Scripture | Psalms 119 |

Enduring with Temptations:

1. - 2 Corinthians 2:11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.
2. - James 4:7 Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.
3. - James 1:4 But let patience have *her* perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.
4. - 1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.

Dealing with Temptations:

1. - Proverbs 4:23 Keep your heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.
 - John 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
 - 1 Corinthians 8:9 But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to them that are weak.
2. - Matthew 26:4 Watch and pray, that you enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh *is* weak.
 - Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
3. - 1 Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walking about, seeking whom he may devour.
 - Luke 4:13 When the devil had finished every temptation, he left Him until an opportune time.
4. - Psalm 119:9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to Thy word.
 - Psalm 119:105 Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

What Jesus do when He was tempted? He quoted Scripture!

- **Mathew 4:4,7&10**-But He answered and said it is written, it is written again, for it is written

Types of Temptations: The Lust of the Flesh, The Lust of the Eyes, the Pride of Life.

- **1 John 2:16** For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Flesh: Galatians 5:19-21 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these*...

Eyes: Exodus 20:17 You shall not covet money, possessions, or other physical things.

Pride: Matthew 4:8 Self exhalation Devil showed Jesus the kingdoms of the world.

Genesis 3:1-7 And when the woman saw that the tree *was good for food*, and that it *was pleasant to the eyes*, and a tree to be *desired to make one wise*.

Flesh: Good for food.

Eyes: Pleasant to look at.

Pride: Makes one wise.

Worldly Pride and Logic:

- **Luke 6:42a** Either how can you say to your brother “brother, let me pull out the mote that is in your eye” when you yourself behold not the beam that is in your own eye?
- **1 Corinthians 1:18** For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

Promises:

- **Romans 8:26** Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.
- **Hebrews 4:16** Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Don't give up:

- **Matthew 10:22** But he that endures to the end shall be saved.
- **Matthew 24:13** But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.
- **James 1:4-8** But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering...

“We must follow Jesus’ example and, in the power of the Holy Spirit, resist the lust of the eyes. The world is full of “eye candy,” glamour, and gaudiness. Materialism beckons with its promise of happiness and fulfillment. A media-saturated society bombards us with advertising campaigns that might as well say, “Covet this!”

All that glitters is not gold, and the child of God knows that fame, fortune, and finery quickly fade (Proverbs 23:5). Our focus is not the newest product or latest fashion. Our goal is not to keep up with the Joneses or to surround ourselves with the trappings of glittering magnificence. Instead, our goal is “to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings” (Philippians 3:10). Our eyes are set on Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). Our view is to eternity.”

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