



Sermon Notes May 17, 2020

Temptation

TEXT: 1 Corinthians 10:13

Daily requirement in regards to all temptations:

- ☞ Be **alert**. **I Peter 5:8**
- ☞ Have a **praying** life. **Matthew 6:13**
- ☞ Don't think something **strange** has happened to you. **I Peter 4:12**

PROP: Look at four things regarding temptation.

I. Man is its **target**.

1. Spiritual temptation is times in a Christian's life when your **faith** is tested. James 1:2,3
 - a. Temptation **tests** your commitment to Christ.
2. The devil makes temptation look **acceptable**.
 - a. James 1:13-15 He baits us by making sin look good.

II. It's **limitations** I Corinthians 10:13

1. You must face your temptation with **spiritual** growth in mind.
 - a. James 1:3
 - b. Romans 5:3
2. Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted
 - a. Matthew 4:1
3. The temptations that Jesus faced has made him a perfect aide to the temptations that we face.
 - a. Hebrews 2:17-18
 - b. Hebrews 4:14-16

III. A way of escape is **provided** I Corinthians 10:13

The way of escape comes because you are **enduring** it.

How to get to the way of escape:

- 1) **Believe** that God will provide one.
 - a) He is faithful. II Timothy 2:12-14
- 2) Don't let your **physical** mentality dictate your **spiritual** mentality. I Peter 1:3-9
- 3) **Acknowledge** God in the middle of your temptations. Proverbs 3:5,6
- 4) Have **deep** roots in the Word of God
 - (a) Luke 8:13

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- (b) Psalms 1:1-3
- 5) **Fight** with the WORD! Ephesians 6:17
- i) Jesus rebuked the devil with scripture every time. Matt. 4
 - (1) Vrs. 4 Duet 8:3;
 - (2) Vrs. 7 Duet 6:16;
 - (3) Vrs. 10 Duet. 6:13

The Lord knows how to deliver, but we must yield to his direction. 2 Peter 2:9

IV. You can bear it I Corinthians 10:13

1. The key to growing through temptation is holding up while under it.

V. Are your temptations sought or fought ?

- A. Temptation are sought when you put yourself in circumstances that provide for the flesh? Romans 13:14
- B. Temptations are fought when you pray to not be lead into temptation. Mathew 6:13, Matthew 26:41
- C. When you look at your weakness, ask yourself, "Am I putting myself in circumstances that my flesh desires, or am I walking in the light and God is putting me in circumstances where I can be tempted?".

Keep the way of escape in mind and you will be motivated to endure the temptation because the Holy Spirit is bringing about spiritual growth.