

Living Faith and Temptation

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James 1:12-14

- God _____ those who endure
 - The Bible deepens the meaning of *blessed* to include a _____ that comes from receiving God's favor.
- Temptation as defined in the Greek – a direct _____ impulse
 - A temptation from _____ – from our own desires
 - A temptation from _____ – usually relating to Satan's work
 - Jesus, led by the Spirit into the wilderness and there he was tempted of the _____
- The _____ Game – natural human response to blame others
- Excuses
- Devil is a tempter, but the devil cannot _____ you do it
- Temptation comes from your _____
 - Entice us
 - Drag us away
 - Give birth to sinful actions
 - Sin is allowed to grow and give birth to _____
 - Romans 6:23 (NLT) — 23 For the wages of sin is death
- Galatians 5:16–17
 - Let the Holy Spirit _____ your lives
 - Sinful nature wants to do _____
 - The Spirit gives us desires _____ of evil
- Luke 4:1–4
 - Temptation comes from your own desires – Jesus _____
 - The devil finished – left him until next _____

The way of Escape

- 1 Corinthians 10:13
 - God is _____
 - He will not allow the temptation to be _____ than you can stand
 - He will show you a way out (NASB a way of _____)
 - So that you will be able to _____

- God does not keep us from temptation
 - Opportunity for growth in _____
 - More _____, needing nothing (vs. 3,4)
- Jesus said _____ this way
 - Matthew 6:13 (NASB95) — 13 'And do not _____ us into temptation but deliver us from evil...
 - Matthew 6:13 (NLT) — 13 And don't let us _____ to temptation but rescue us from the evil one.
- The _____ of God (Ephesians 6:10, 17)
 - _____ of the Spirit
 - Part of the armor of God – given so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the _____
- Hebrews 4:15–16
 - Jesus _____ with us
 - Tempted in _____ way as we are
 - Draw _____
 - Find grace and mercy to _____ in time of need
- Matthew 4:11

Temptation and two choices

- Tempted - James 1:14-15
- Flesh (sinful nature)
 - Enticed
 - Dragged away
 - Sinful actions
 - Death
- The Holy Spirit
 - Desire to do good
 - Way of escape
 - Endurance
 - Blessing of God (deep joy)
 - Life and peace
- 1 John 1:9
- Romans 6:1–2
- Sin has consequences – _____
- Choose _____ – live by the Spirit – be blessed by God – deep joy that comes from receiving God's favor