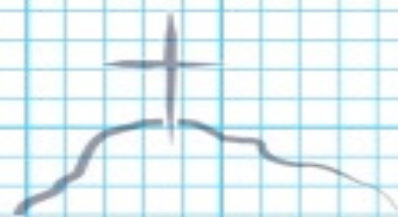


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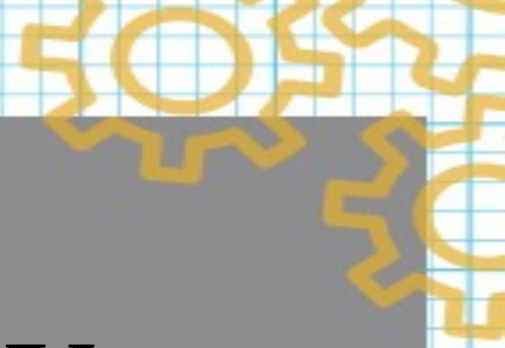
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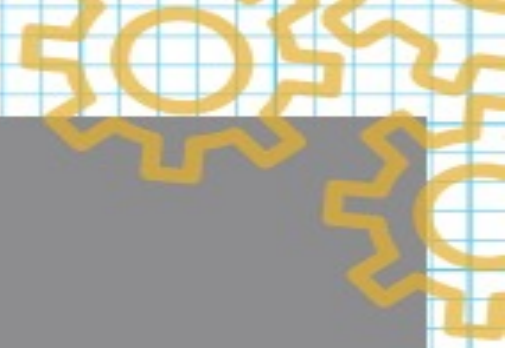


James: Faith Tested by Temptations

James 1:13-18

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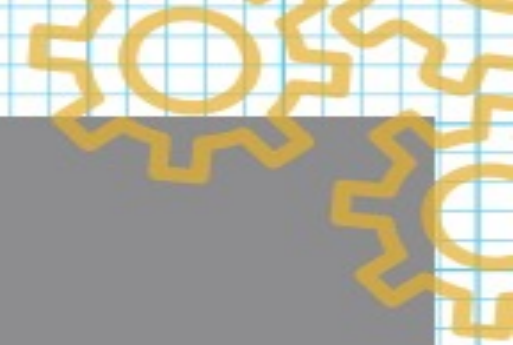
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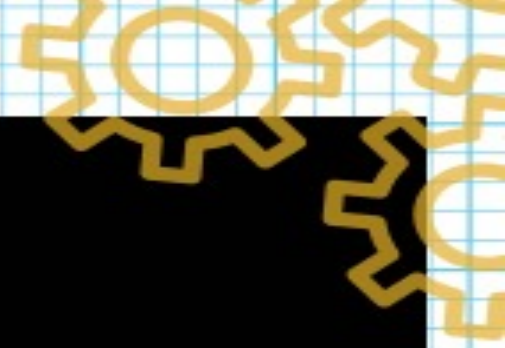
*“Let us stop the progress of sin
in our soul at the first stage,
for the farther it goes the faster
it will increase.”* Thomas Fuller

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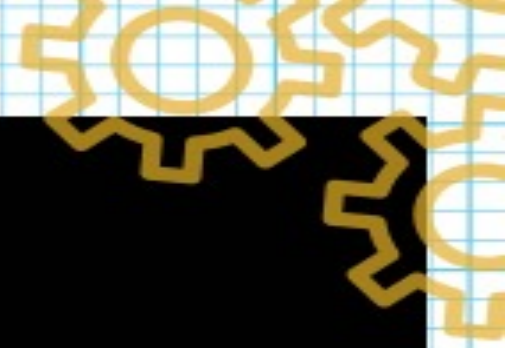
*A thought becomes a word
A word becomes a deed
A deed becomes a preference
A preference becomes a habit
A habit becomes a lifestyle
A lifestyle becomes our destiny!*



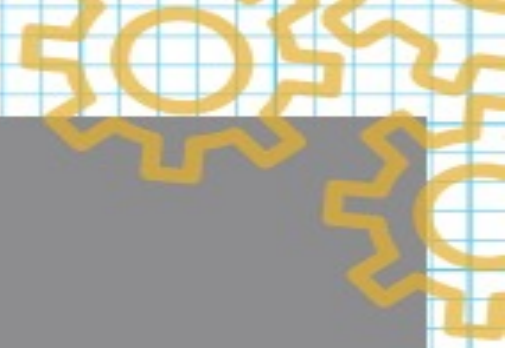
1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted,
“I am being tempted by God”;
for God cannot be tempted by evil,
and He Himself does not tempt anyone.

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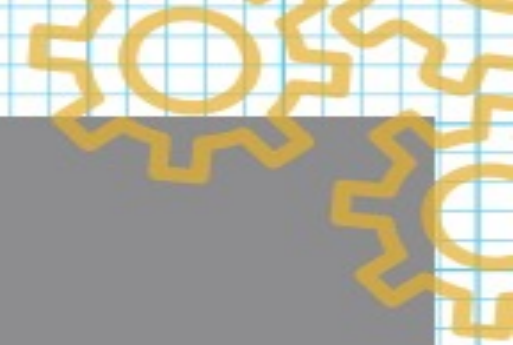


14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust.



Source of Sin 13,14

- God?
 - 1 Jn 1:5 ‘no darkness at all!’
 - Moses – Aaron – calf – Exodus 32 – ‘Aaron made’
- Satan?
- Man?
- Mine?

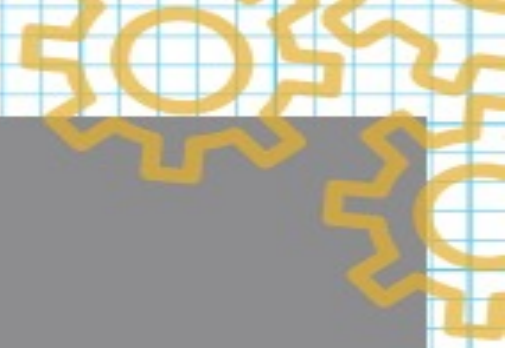


Source of Sin

- God?
- Satan?
 - Fallen angel – created NOT creator!
- Man?
 - Appetite – ADAM > Attitude – MINE!
 - I do nothing I have not thought of!

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“I have had more trouble with myself than with any other man.” D.L. Moody

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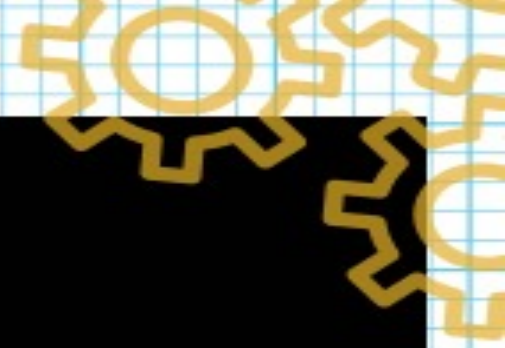
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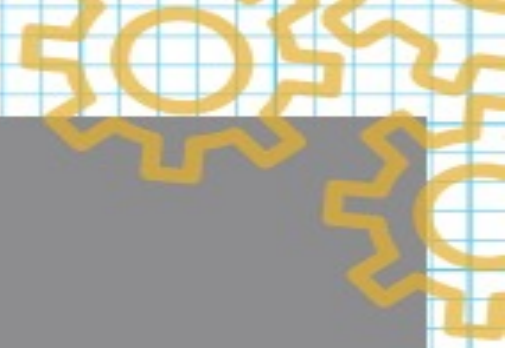
15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.

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16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.



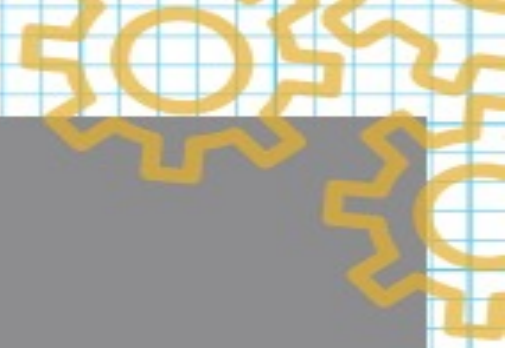
Force of Sin 15

- Mind - thinking
- Will - yielding
- Emotion – feeling

THESE MAY CONFIRM OR CONFUSE!

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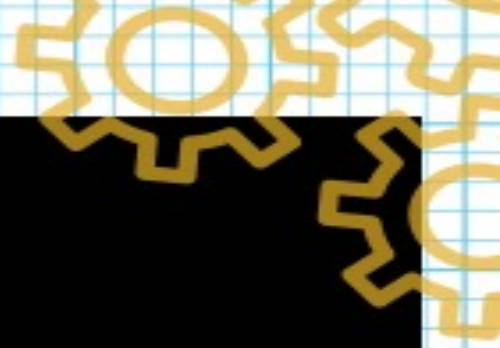
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*“Sin’s enemy is not ignorance –
its ally is stubbornness!”*

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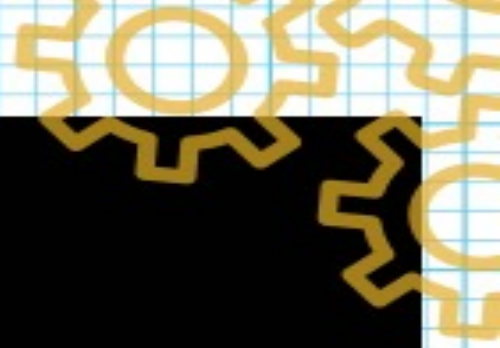


Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

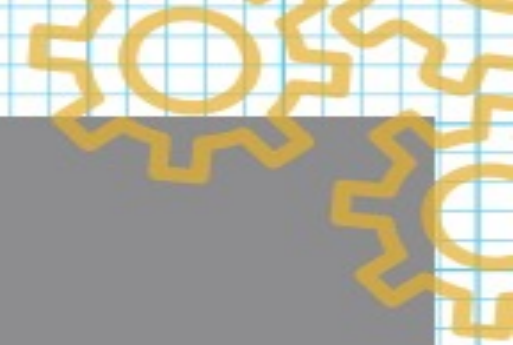
Rom 12:1

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And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. Rom 12:2

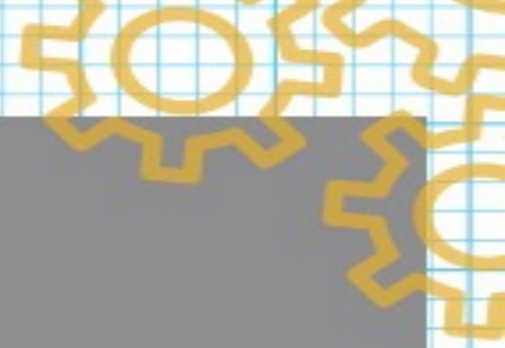


Force of Sin 15

- Mind – ‘renewing’
- Will – ‘present’ ‘conformed’ ‘transformed’
- Emotion – ‘urge’ ‘by mercies of God’ ‘sacrifice’
‘good’ ‘acceptable’

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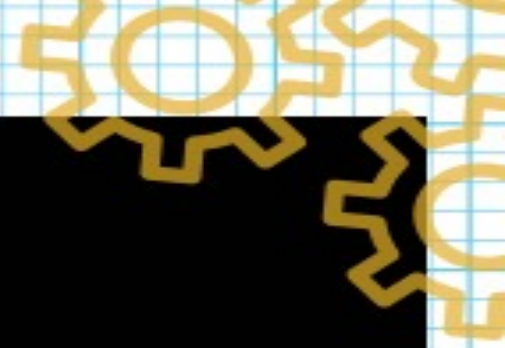
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“The grip of sin is too light to be felt until it is too strong to be loosed!”

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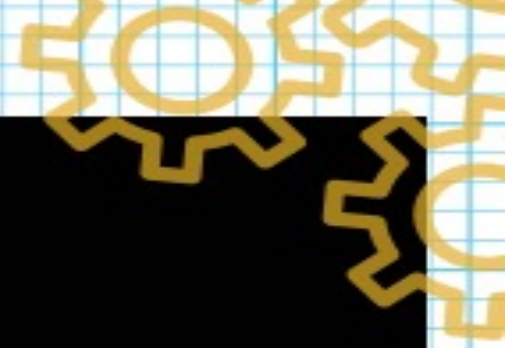
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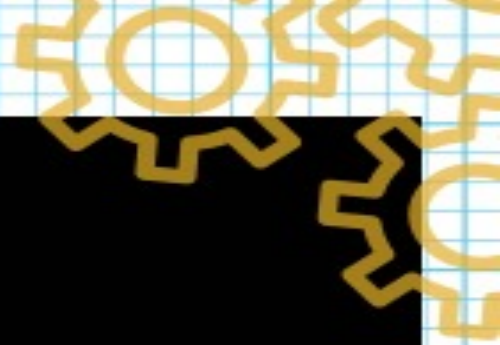
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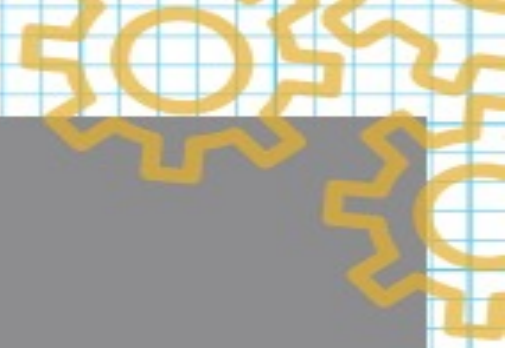
17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

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18 In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.

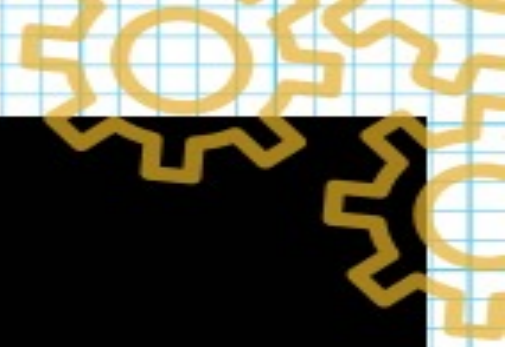


Course of Sin 16-18

- Trial of the World – who loves you?
- Test of the Flesh – things change!
- Trust in the Lord – first fruits

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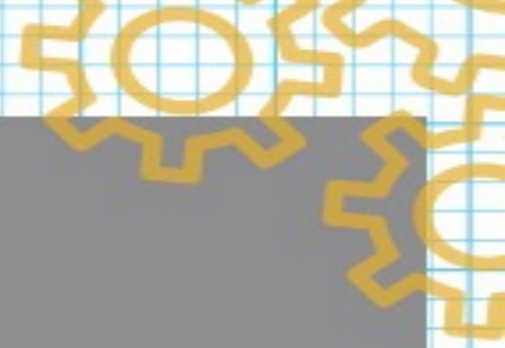
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“For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law but under grace.” Rom 6:14

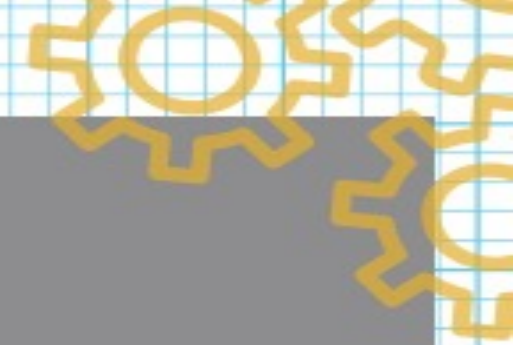
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“Preferring anything above Christ is the very essence of sin. It must be fought.”

John Piper

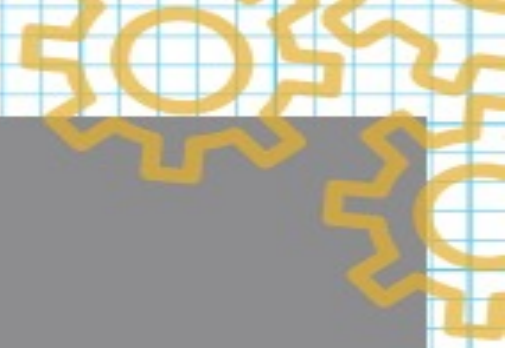


Faith Tested by Temptations

- Source of Sin – self, self-centered, selfish, self...
- Force of Sin – step by step away from faith
- Course of Sin – helpless w/o Christ!
REDEEMED in Christ!

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*“No sin which we are capable of committing
has ever taken God by surprise
for He knew we were just like that.”*

Alan Redpath

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