**I** want you to live the limitless life.

### **Temptation - Timing - Trial**

- ☑ 1 And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. Luke 4
- Sometimes God leads you into the desert. Usually after a high point.
- It was the Spirit that Arranged the Attack.
  - Only an attack can reveal what you're full of!
- He is in a place of preparation. *Denial and temptation.* 
  - We've raised a generation where denial is foreign.
- **Resisting temptation produces anointing.**
- It is PURITY in PRIVATE that gives you POWER in PUBLIC!
- Temptation brings anointing. Timing announces purpose. Trial initiates Promotion.
- The temptation always precedes trial.
- If the enemy can't get you to give into what you want he will try and crush you with what you don't.

- Temptation desire. Trial dread.
- Temptation is announcing that I'm coming into my timing. My timing announces I'm headed into a trial.
  - Lust of the Flesh is Passion- sex
  - Lust of the Eye is Possessions- salary
  - Pride of Life Temptation to Be- Position- status
- 13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. 14 But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. 15 Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. James 1:13-15
- THOUGHT/IMAGINATION/JUSTIFICATION/CHOICE/SIN
- I'm a Christian—I shouldn't be tempted! (Tempted is to be human)
  - Wish I'd never be tempted again wish I were dead!
- Coming to Christ doesn't mean the absence of temptation—it means declaring war the temptation that is already there!

- ☑ 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone."
- Lust of the Flesh- Passion
  - Temptations always ride a natural desire.
- Hostess vs. Broccoli
- Tempted to use His ability to feed Himself. What are you hungry for?- Likes, mirrors, phones
- *If you are?...* Lust of the flesh always questions your identity.
- You will be tempted to use the gifts God has given to you for your own purpose.
- Satan doesn't mind your strengths as long as you use them for your own benefit.

Said again at the cross... If he comes down you stay lost.
5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, 6 and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. 7If you, then, will worship me, it will

all be yours." 8And Jesus answered him, "It is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."

- Lust of the Eye- Temptation of Possessions
- Wealth- things I'll give you
  - It's the Promise that always takes MORE than it offers..
- Don't compromise your standards for what someone can give you.
- What is the price of your worship?
  - Giving has always been about worship.
- You can give without loving but you cannot love without giving.
- If you don't trust God with your money then you don't trust Him. I dare you to trust God.
- Image: 9 And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, 10for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' 11and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" 12And Jesus answered him, "It is

- said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"
- Pride of Life- Temptation to Be- Position- status
- Notice how the devil learned (Written)... God is
   Omniscient not the devil!
- Rattle Snakes in TX...Learned the Boars.
- Notice he took Him to the house of God to fall.
  - The devil never took Him down to fall. Always elevated Him.
  - One of the easiest places to fall is the place where you let your guard down.
- Be discerning. Not everyone in church is saved!
- Satan has assigned certain people to feed your weaknesses.
- Your <u>weakness</u> will be drawn to any friendship that accepts it, enjoys it and feeds on it.
- It'll always bond with the wrong people and make you uncomfortable in the presence of the right ones.
- Why the temple to jump off? Are you using your gift for your glory?

• Temptation of Satan is NEVER to be like Satan. Always God.

### *FEED THE BEAST*

- Sin may be private but it's never personal.
- Any weakness that's constantly indulged, excused, denied, or hidden has the power to enslave you.
- Integrity- WHOLE/compartmentalize
- Titanic myth. unsinkable because it was segmented. You can't segment your life
- Satan will blind you to all the good things God has in store for you.
- Don't bite! He's a liar! Don't believe him!
- ✓ 13And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time. 14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. 15And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. Luke 4:1-15
- No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation

## he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. 1 Corinthians 10:13

- Can you help me stop falling out of the bed? Baby it's simple- you never got far enough in!
- Why resist a temptation tomorrow if I the power to eliminate it today?
- I will not allow temptation to limit my future, my dreams, or my vision.

- The enemy will only attack you where God has affirmed you!
- Don't be surprised when the people you're called to help the most hurt you the most.
- Do you hold onto your bandaids? Why are you holding your old hurts?

- God can't do a new thing if you continue to hold onto an old thing.
- Some of your greatest tests in life will be how to handle those who miss handled you!
- Your anointing is revealing their cages, sickness, and blindness.

## Your hate revealed my help!

- Walk through it
- Don't focus on the faces or you'll fall. Focus on the force and you go forward.
- But if I made through temptation then I got what I need to make it through trial.
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Turn and take a step.
- Don't let your yesterday destroy your today.
- 2020 tried to push you over the cliff.
- If you don't forgive those who pushed you you'll go over the cliff with them.
- The difference between me and them is not what we're going through but what I know. Here's what I know, If you're operating in your purpose then you

# know. KNOW- informed or be made aware of ahead of time. AND WE KNOW THAT ALL THINGS>>>

- It's not showing up because I am or am not a Christian.
   We both have problems. BUT I ALREADY KNOW! And WE KNOW...CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE
- If someone wants to buy something expensive but forgot their card. "Can you cover me? I'll pay you back." I KNOW. When trouble comes I don't have to worry about it because I already KNOW!
- You can walk through what doesn't have power over you.
- IF GOD BE FOR US...WHO
- Jesus walked through hell. Out of the tomb. Then through a wall. Because none of it had power over Him.
- What is a day? A day is the rotation of the earth. You've moved! Astronomers know this because they see from a different perspective. It may look like I'm in the same place but the earth is not where it was yesterday
- What is consistently taken for granted will eventually be taken away
- Black Hawk Down- we're all shot. get in the truck and drive!

- You can't walk through what you haven't gotten over.
- Rat in the plane- The pilot's first instinct was to descendan emergency landing. But he had flown so far that there was not enough time to land. So he decided to ascendmaybe the rat couldn't survive at a higher altitude. The pilot put on his oxygen mask, boosted power to the jet's engine, and quickly climbed as high as he could go. Soon the gnawing sound ended. When the pilot landed safely, he found the rat — dead.
- Singer and the Cobra.
- Sometimes people don't want to hear the truth because they don't want their illusions destroyed!
- Jesus did not say deliver me from. He said lead us not into...