

### **The Super Battle**

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"...in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes."

2 CORINTHIANS 2:11 (NIV)

# The Bible describes two main tests of our faith and character

#### \*DIFFICULTIES

Situations designed by God to help us grow

#### \*TEMPTATIONS

Situations designed by the devil to pull us away from Christ

#### YOUR OPPONENT'S GAME PLAN

"Temptation comes <u>from our own desires</u>, which entice us and drag us away. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death."

**JAMES 1:14-15 (NLT)** 

\*Temptation is not an event, it is a PROCESS

- 1 DESIRE "Temptation comes from OUR OWN desires..."
- **2 D**<sub>0</sub> **U B T** "Did God really say...?"
- **DECEPTION** "which entice us and drag us away."
- **DISOBEDIENCE** "These desires give birth to sinful actions..."
- **DEFEAT** "And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death."
- 6 D<mark>epression</mark>

#### **Notes**




#### **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS**

- 1 Share one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon and why.
- Why do people struggle with blaming God when they are tempted? Can you think of any stories in the Bible where people blamed God for their temptations?
- What chain of events happens when we act on our temptations? Hint hint... the 6 D's in your sermon notes.
- On a scale from 1 10, with 1 being not so great, how well are you at taking responsibility for your sin?
- 5 How can we be praying for you this week?



## **Upcoming Events**

02.17 | Ensenada Mission Trip

02.28 | 65+ Winter Luncheon

03.13 | Newcomer Meet and Greet

03.13 | Classic Praise

03.23 | Adult Basketball League