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A FAITH THAT WORKS: TEMPTATION
James 1:13-18

Temptation (source). James 1:13-14, 17

- God is not responsible for our temptations, but He **allows** our trials. James 1:13, 17; Hab. 1:13; Is. 6:3; 1 Pet. 1:6; Ps. 145:17; Heb. 4:15; 7:26
- It is our **sin** nature that is responsible for temptations. James 1:14; Rom. 5:6-10, 17-19; 7:18-25; Gen. 3:9-13; Matt. 15:18-19; 27:41; Rev. 12:9; 2 Cor. 3:11; 1 Cor. 15:33; Eph. 6:12; Jer. 17:9

Temptation (process). James 1:14-16

- **Desire.** James 1:14-15; Eph. 2:1-3; 4:17-19; 1 Thess. 4:5; Luke 22:15; Phil. 1:23; 2 Sam. 11:1-5; 1 Kin. 11:1-10
- **Deception.** James 1:15-16; Prov. 3:7; 4:23; Col. 3:16; 2 Sam. 11:1-5; Phil. 4:8; 1 Cor. 15:33; 2 Cor. 3:11; John 8:44; Ps. 119:9-11; Mark 12:30
- **Design.** James 1:15; 2 Sam. 11:1-5; John 12:3-6; Matt 26:14-16
- **Disobedience.** James 1:15; Matt. 26:47-50, 56; 2 Sam. 11:1-5; John 14:15; 21, 26; 15:10
- **Death.** James 1:15; 1 Cor. 11:29-30; 1 John 5:16; Matt. 7:21-23; Eph. 4:30; 1 Thess. 5:19

Temptation (solution). James 1:17-18

- We have a **new** life in Christ. James 1:18; Eph. 1:7; 2 Cor. 5:17; 2 Pet. 1:4; Rom. 5:1-2, 15-19
- We have the **Word** of truth. James 1:18; Eph. 1:13; Col. 1:5, 3:16; 1 John 1:9; 4:4; 5:4; Eph. 6:17; Rom. 8:37; 2 Cor. 10:3-5
- We always have opportunity to **flee** from temptation. 1 Cor. 10:13-14; 2 Tim. 2:22; James 4:7; 1 Cor. 6:12; Eph. 6:16; Matt. 26:41

We play the blame game.

“It’s the other person’s fault.”

“I couldn’t help it.”

“Everybody’s doing it.”

“It was just a mistake.”

“Nobody’s perfect.”

“I didn’t know it was wrong.”

“The devil made me do it.”

“I was pressured into it.”

