



James 1:12 |SCRIPTURE
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Triumphant Over Temptation|SERMON

Types of Temptation

Sex, Drugs, Alcohol, Lie, Cheat, Steal, Quit Church, Quit God, Quit Marriage, Quit Diet, Quit Gym, Gossip/slander OR an EAR for gossip, Be offended, Isolate, Rage & Anger, Prideful, Brag/boast, Judgmental, Critical, Revenge, Fight, Not mind your business, Temptation to go back - Peter went back fishing, Murder, Food, Laziness -Netflix binger, temptation to hide behind your wife, etc. etc.

Clarity on Temptation

James 1:12-15 NKJV

Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

You're never going to get victory over a sin that you like!

Perspective on Temptation

Perhaps through temptation a weakness is being made known to you. Allow that to be an invitation for intimacy with God. Find His strength; In any areas I'm weak I need to rely His strength. Paul says when I'm weak then I'm strong because I'm looking to Him

What if we viewed temptation as a realization of a weakness within myself and used it as an opportunity to get closer to God in that area?

Change starts with awareness & deception is dismantled with revelation and knowledge.

The enemy usually needs a legal right to really interfere. Maybe the reason so much havoc is happening is due to you losing the battles with temptation. A curse without a cause will not land.

Your temptations are not catching God off guard or by surprise. He already sees what's in your heart. He's watching to see how you endure the temptations and even better yet, dismantle them by the power He's provided in Jesus Christ!

My Purpose today with the help of the Holy Spirit is to equip and empower you with the tools of wisdom and power from God that enable you to defeat temptations and win battles

Are there spiritual principles in God's Word that if we

Applied them

We could see God's power in our lives?

YES!!! There are certain principles and powers that come from God's word. When we take the time to learn & operate them, we can see lasting, true victory.

Enemies of resisting temptation

Victimhood, Hopelessness- what's the use, Minimizing sins, Lack of Repentance

I Corinthians 10:13 NKJV

NOTES



No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

II Peter 2:9 NKJV

then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations

A Perfect Answer when temptations arise – You're Faithful and You're the One I want, you know how to deliver me out of temptations!

Some battles we bear and endure and others we need to fight!

Let's talk about fighting for a moment

Judges 3:1-2, 4

1These are the nations that the Lord left in the land to test those Israelites who had not experienced the wars of Canaan. 2He did this to teach warfare to generations of Israelites who had no experience in battle. 4These people were left to test the Israelites—to see whether they would obey the commands the Lord had given to their ancestors through Moses.

Ephesians 6:12

'For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.'

Wrestling -

wrestling (a contest between two in which each endeavors to throw the other, and which is decided when the victor is able to hold his opponent down with his hand upon his neck)

the term is transferred to the Christian's struggle with the power of evil

How do I get my hand upon the neck of the enemy? Welcome to the cross & yes....There will be violence

II Corinthians 10:3-5 NKJV

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ (not your obedience)

Philippians 2:8 NKJV

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

Col 2:14-15 NKJV

having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

Rom 8:3 NLT

'The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins.

What do we do with the information?

Take Authority by taking your temptations to the cross



For temptations that come from the flesh we pronounce it's death with Jesus on the cross for He condemned sin in his flesh

Galatians 5:24, those who are Christ's have nailed their passions & desires to his cross. The cross is where temptations are disarmed!

For temptation that come from the enemy we pronounce the disarming that took place on the cross

Col 3:5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.J

As a Christian you must get to know the cross, it's power and the death that happens there.

Galatians 6:14

But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

The cross is where the enemy's power is disarmed and where the power of your flesh is crucified and dies.

Let it be seen that you fight

You're gonna find out today and find out real quick, I know who I am in Christ and I know how He defeated you, whether it's the world, my flesh, or the devil acting up around me

May it be known in the spirit realm that when temptations come, when the enemy comes, there's gonna be a problem, they're gonna know me, they're a fight that's about to break out, there's kingdom violence in the air