

SUMMER SERMON SERIES 2022

“From Trials to Temptations” V.13-15

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James 1: 12-15

¹² Blessed is the man that endures temptation: when he is under trial, for once he has been approved he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord has promised to those who love him.¹³ 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. ¹⁴ But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. ¹⁵ Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

- The word in Greek

- **πειρασμός (peirasmos) –**

Uses that word and translates trial, **James 1:2-12**

- **When it comes to 1:13-18** that same word is used, only now it's translated as temptation...

- Same word meaning 2 different things.

Have you ever seen the in the English language?

- **Homonyms** are words that have the same spelling and pronunciation, but different meanings. It's tricky when words sound the same but can mean different things. This is where [context clues](#) come into play.

- **clip**

I enjoyed watching a **clip** from that video.

My mom is going to **clip** my hair.

- **park**

I don't know how to parallel **park**.

I'm taking my dog for a walk at the **park**.

- **Here is the point that James is making.
“Trials can become a Temptation to sin”**
- **The external trial can become an internal
temptation to sin...**

- “Temptation are opportunities to choose something other than God.
- -All temptation is rooted in the lie that something other than God and His will can meet my need or bring me satisfaction”
- **GOD CAN BE THE SOURCE OF OUR TRIALS, BUT HE CAN NEVER BE THE SOURCE OF OUR TEMPTATION.**
- *“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.” (v.13)*

Here are some things to learn about Temptation and Sin

I. The source of Temptation.

- Temptation doesn't come from God.
- ¹³ *Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"*
- The reason :
- *"for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone."*
- Is His nature to operate according to His goodness and kindness, not to tempt people to make them fail. His goodness won't allow it

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I. The source of Temptation.

- Temptation “Is the enemy within”
- ¹⁴ *But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed*
- Galatians 5:16
- **For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.**

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- Romans 7

- ¹⁴ For we know that the Law is spiritual, but I am fleshly, sold into bondage to sin. ¹⁵ For I do not understand what I am doing; for I am not practicing what I want to do, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ However, if I do the very thing I do not want to do, I agree with the Law, that the Law is good. ¹⁷ But now, no longer am I the one doing it, but sin that dwells in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good does not dwell in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not. ¹⁹ For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want. ²⁰ But if I do the very thing I do not want, I am no longer the one doing it, but sin that dwells in me.

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I. The source of Temptation.

- The trial = from God
- The temptation = from you
- The result = will depend on your relationship with God, what's in your hear?

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- II. Sin is a **Process**

- Temptation is not a sin, but it can become a sin
- Jesus was tempted in his humanity. Matt. 4

- Hebrews 4

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, **Jesus the Son of God**, let us hold fast *our* confession. ¹⁵ *For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, **but was in all points tempted as we are**, yet without sin.*

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- II. Sin is a Process

James 1

14 But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

- *Then, desire when it has conceived, it gives birth to sin.*

- “Sin is not an Act” of disobedience “Sin is a Process”

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- II. Sin is a **Process**

- **Desire.**

- ¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

- **Deception.**

- ¹⁵ *Then, desire when it has conceived.*

- **Conceived=**

Now you allow that desire, that thought to come into you mind, what do you do with it?

- **Disobedience.**

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II. Sin is a Process

James 1:14-15

- **Desire.**
- **Deception.**
- **Disobedience .**

Adam and Eve. Gen. 3 – “the V.6)

- Eve saw the fruit. V6a
- Pleasing to the eye
- Desirable
- She took it
- She ate it
- She Influence other to do the same

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III. The Result of sin

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- ¹⁵ *Then, desire when it has conceived, it gives birth to sin.
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- Proverbs 14:12

There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

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- IV. The **Solution** for temptation that can lead to Sin.
- Run from it.
- Understand that God doesn't tempt you, but He will always give you a way out.
- I Cor. 10:13...
- ¹³ *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.*

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1 John 1

- *⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*
- V. 12 if you persevere in the test, you will receive Life
- V. 15 If you fall in to temptation, you will die
- **“We Gain the Strength of the temptation we Resist”**

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