

GROW UP!



Part 4

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3. ASSURANCE OF VICTORY

1 Corinthians 10:13

¹³ No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.



Over Temptation

- Everybody is tempted
- Victory over temptation comes from God
- God does not tempt, nor does he remove temptation
- The Holy Spirit enables us to overcome temptation

Temptation...In Common to All

- Source of Temptation
- James 1:13-14 James 1:13-14

When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; ¹⁴ but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed.

- We are tempted by our own desires and enticements

Three Primary Areas of Temptation

I John 2:15-16

¹⁵ Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father^[a] is not in them. ¹⁶ For everything in the world—**the lust of the flesh**, **the lust of the eyes**, and **the pride of life**—comes not from the Father but from the world.



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Facts About

- God doesn't tempt us
- The devil is the tempter
- Temptation isn't sin
- We aren't tempted beyond our ability
- God provides the "way of escape"

1 Peter 5:8

⁸ Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

God Is Faithful

- To Strengthen and Protect Us

2 Thessalonians 3:3

³ But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.

- Jesus Understands and Is Our Example

Hebrews 4:15

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.

A Way Out

Matthew 6:9, 13

⁹ “This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,

13 And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.’

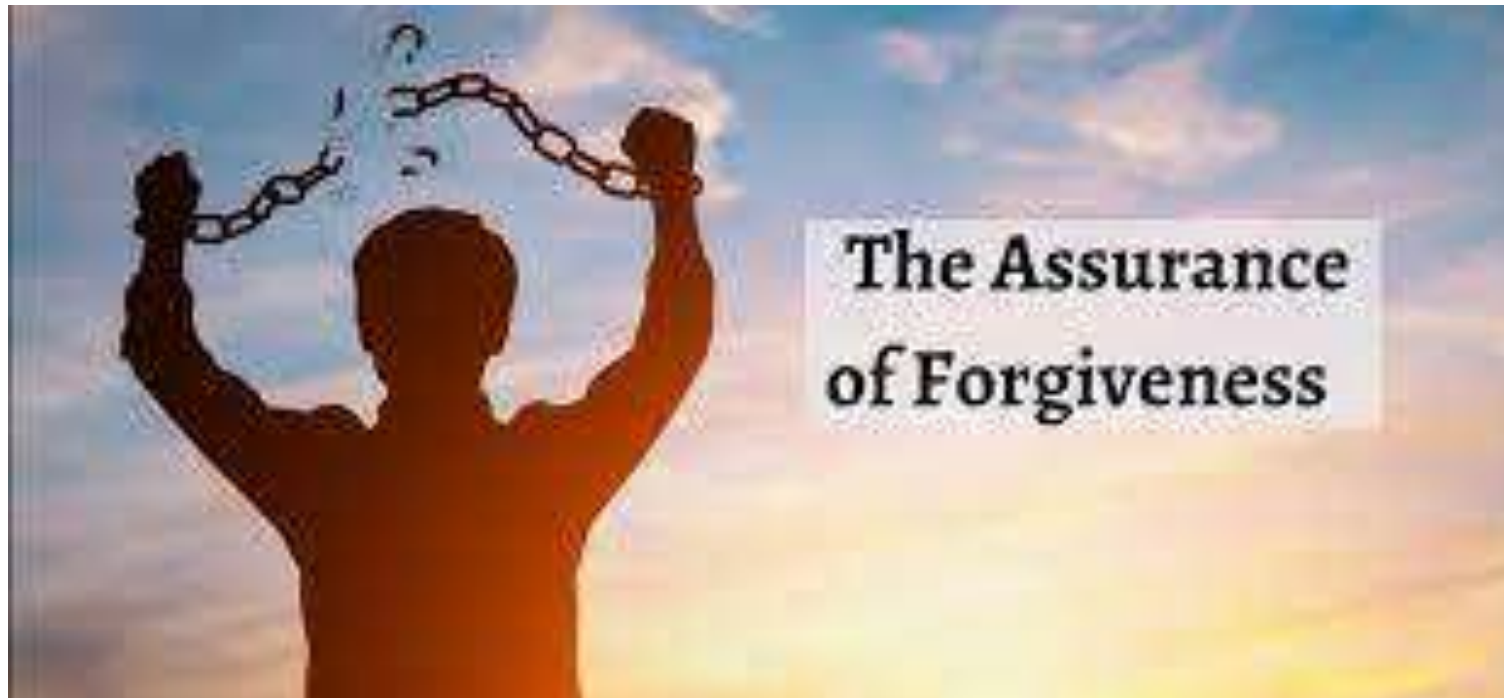
Ways to Keep Temptation from Leading to Sin

- 1. PRAY AS JESUS TAUGHT, “LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL” (MATT. 6:13).**
- 2. KNOW YOURSELF WELL.**
- 3. LEARN TO RECOGNIZE TEMPTATION.**
- 4. TAKE PREVENTATIVE ACTION**
- 5. QUOTE SCRIPTURE TO YOURSELF**
- 6. ENCOURAGE YOURSELF**
- 6. REST.**
- 7. REMEMBER THERE IS ALWAYS A WAY OF ESCAPE.**

4. ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

1 John 1:9

⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.



- We Confess Our Sins and Repent
- He Is Faithful and Just
 - Forgive and Purify
- In Accordance with Grace (Ephesians 1:7)
- The Lord Forgets our Sins (Hebrews 10:17)

5. ASSURANCE OF GUIDANCE

Proverbs 3:5-6

- ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
⁶ in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.

- Trust In the Lord
 - Actively cast your cares on Him. ...
 - Plug into God's Word everyday. ...
 - Walk in obedience to Him. ...
 - Find security and confidence in Him alone. ...
 - Wait on the Lord and renew your hope.
- Lean Not on You Understanding
 - We limit God
- In Everything Acknowledge Him
- He Will Make Your Paths Straight

Our Blessed Assurance...



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