



Outer Growth - Temptation

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.

1 Corinthians 10:13

Thought -----James 4:7

Eyes -----Matthew 6:22

Mind -----Romans 8:5

Place -----Romans 13:14

Talk----- Proverbs 10:19

Attraction-----Proverbs 25:28

Touch-----Colossians 2:21

Idea-----2 Thessalonians 3:6

Opportunity-----Isaiah 33:15

Neglect-----Hebrews 2:3

The temptation is the will to participate in enticing pleasures that may affect future ambitions. The attraction is coming from the heart's desires via the eyes. Through this view, we may entertain the idea of fulfillment.

If we allow anything to linger within our minds to corrupt the heart, the body will follow and find yourself in the vicinity.

The danger of temptation is once all the five senses of the body are engaged in unison with whatever is threatening the heart, it is only a matter of time before the mouth speaks for confirmation. The devil waits for us to admit, which indicates to him that we agree to submit. This yielding is the prelude to sin.

The Word of God clearly states that believers should give no place to the devil. No window of opportunity to corrupt our relationship with God. Therefore to resist temptation is as soon we find one of our senses pulling toward something that would jeopardize our status with God, we need to make an effort to disrupt.

A temptation situation arises when we find ourselves in idle mode. If we have time on our hands, all of us need to be careful to avoid being careless. As believers, we could use the free time to bible study, listen to praise and worship songs, pray, or fellowship with others.

The temptation is common and is part of life. However, allowing it to entice us to sin is not. Let's stay alert at all times.

Bible study: 2 Samuel 11:1-5