

BIBLE

— STUDY —



Topic: Our Temptation

In our last study (Jesus' Temptation) we discussed that being tempted was not a matter of if but when. First, we should recognize that temptation is not a sin; however, acting on it is and in some cases, even in our minds. Secondly, most of our temptations will manifest in the desires to participate in something sinful. Third, this testing will likely focus on the areas we are most vulnerable. Thankfully, Jesus, through His own temptation, showed us it is possible to overcome these trials. The Scripture also tells us that God will not allow us to be tested above our abilities to overcome them. However, we all fall short, but even though we do, Paul tells us we have a weapon. In 2 Corinthians 12:9, Paul tells us that His power is perfected in our weakness. This means, that through Christ, we can still overcome our temptations by His power, for His glory.

Questions:

1. What are some temptations in the Bible that can lead to sin if acted on? (examples: pride, greed)
2. What are some ways to defend against giving in to temptation?
3. What are some positives to being tested?