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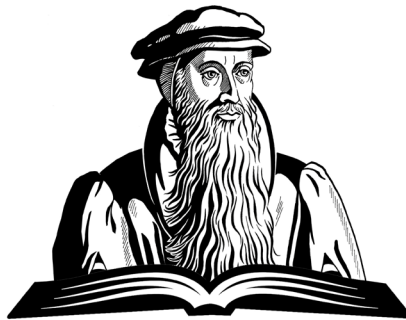
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Scripture Text

“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.” —Matthew 6, verse 13a

Key Points

1. Introduction: a true, born-again Christian will hate all sin and want to flee from it.
 - a. Sin is always close by, and we can spiritually stumble.
 - b. It is a mark of a renewed heart if you battle against sin.
 - c. Remembering and praying this prayer can help us fight against sin.
2. Definition of temptation and examples of temptation in the Bible.
3. It is important to distinguish between temptation and trials.
 - a. The devil tempts us to lead us into sin in order to destroy us.
 - b. God gives us trials to train us and purify us in our faith—several examples in Scripture.
4. “Lead us not into temptation.”
 - a. We pray the Lord to deliver us from falling into temptation.
 - b. We pray the Lord supports, upholds, and sustains us when temptation comes.
 - c. Temptations are a great reality in the lives of God’s children.
 - d. The Christian must fight the good fight of faith to resist these temptations.
5. “But deliver us from evil.”
 - a. Every Christian is under assault by three enemies: the devil, the world, and our own

wicked heart. They are mortal enemies, seeking our death and destruction.

b. By nature, we are born with a sinful heart, inclined to follow the temptations to sin.

c. When God renews our heart, we no longer want to sin, but our sinful nature is still alive.

d. The devil is a fierce and powerful enemy who works to destroy God’s people. He is a liar, a murderer, a deceiver, and he uses the world and the lust of our flesh to tempt us to sin.

e. We need God’s powerful spiritual weapons, as taught by the Holy Spirit, to fight against these enemies of God’s people. We must be soldiers for Christ, taking the whole armour of God: Ephesians 6:11–18.

Review Questions

1. Why does the Lord Jesus teach us to pray, “deliver us from evil”? What does this petition teach us about the reality of the Christian life?

2. Are we fighting against just one or two sins, or are we fighting against all kinds of sin? How is the desire to fight against sin a mark of a renewed heart?

3. What is a temptation? Who tempts us, and why does he do it? Can God tempt us?

4. How is a trial different from a temptation? Who sends us these trials, and for what purpose?

5. God's people are met with many temptations in life. Please prove this from examples in the Bible. How does this motivate us to pray this petition?

6. What other things are we asking God for when we pray this petition?

7. Rev. Procee tells us that God's children have three great enemies in life. Please name them and describe how they can tempt us to fall into sin.

8. What do we learn from the Scriptures about the devil? What are some of his tricks and devices in this world? How does the devil use our own wicked lusts to entice us to sin?

9. When a man or woman is converted to faith in Jesus Christ, how are they troubled by the world and by the lusts of their sinful nature?

10. How can we resist these enemies? How does the Apostle Paul tell us to fight these enemies? How can we seek the power of God to help us in this battle?

Personal Reflections

1. What are the temptations that you most often meet? Do you fall into them? Have you ever experienced the support and sustaining power of the Lord when temptation comes? List some of the promises in the Scripture about resisting temptation and fighting against things that tempt you.

2. Think about the three spiritual enemies Rev. Procee mentions in this lecture. Do you see them in your life? Does this make you see the importance of being watchful and praying frequently? How do you plan to practice this in your life?
