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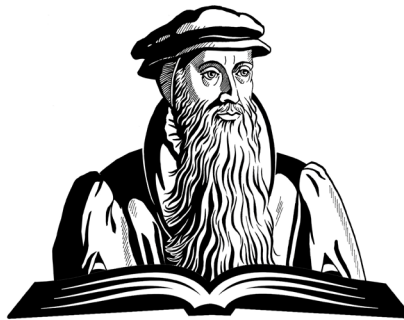
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The Lord's Prayer: The Sixth Petition

Memorization

Question 106: *What do we pray for in the sixth petition?*

Answer: *In the sixth petition (which is, "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil") we pray, That God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.*

Lecture Structure

1. Introduction.
2. Our vulnerable weakness.
3. Our needed guidance.
4. Our required deliverance.
5. Applications.

Literal Study

1. Define the word "temptation" as it is used in this lecture.

2. Paraphrase the answer to this question or put it into your own words.

Lecture Checkup

1. Rev. Mattull tells us there are two ways that the Bible uses the word which is translated tempt, or tempted, or temptation. What is the first way that he mentioned?

2. What is the other way of speaking about temptation, which is the way we use it in the sixth petition?

3. How does the Apostle Paul warn us against pride? What happened to Peter regarding pride?

4. How do we know that we share Peter's self-confidence and weakness to stumble?

5. Why did God lead Israel through the wilderness for 40 years after bringing them out of Egypt? How is that significant for us?

6. When we pray this petition, why should we also be diligent to avoid circumstances that would bring us into temptation?

7. Why does God sometimes lead us into circumstances that tempt us and try us? How is it for our good?

8. When we find ourselves in circumstances that test us, what should we do?

9. What about the example of the “thorn in the side” that the Apostle Paul suffered? What did he do? And what did he learn from that trial?

10. How did the Apostle Peter warn us about Satan as our enemy? What can we learn from his instructions?

Further Studies

1. How does God keep us from being tempted to sin?

2. What are we asking for when we pray, “Deliver us from evil”?

Practical Application

1. How did the Lord Jesus teach us how to avoid temptations in Matthew chapter 26? What are the three things we must be persuaded of?

2. We've learned the reality that our enemy, the devil, is looking for ways to tempt us to sin, and we are warned to watch and pray. How does this motivate us to rely on God alone for all our help, strength, and guidance in this world? How does it teach us to pray?

Project Ideas

How does the Bible teach us about temptation? Could you find more Scripture passages and examples in the Bible to show us God's instructions about the right way to avoid temptations? Please collect the passages in your notebook and meditate on them. Then share you thoughts with someone who is also studying these things.