

James 1:13-15

Understand Temptation Rightly

1. Stop _____ God for Your Temptation: (13)

a. *Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God":*

i. In temptation we often want _____ more than _____.

ii. There are many ways to _____ God. –Gen 3:12; Prov 19:3; Rom 9:20

iii. In temptation _____ to God. –Jam 4:8; Zech 1:3; Heb 4:15

b. The reason why:

i. *for God cannot be tempted with evil* – _____ –Heb 4:15

ii. *and he himself tempts no one:*

1. _____ and _____ are two different things. –Gen 22:1; Matt 4:1

2. God _____ tempts no one. –Gen 22:1; Ex 15:25; 1 Cor 10:13

2. You are _____ for Your Temptation: (14-15)

a. Step One: *But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire:*

i. Your own _____ are responsible for temptation. –Mk 7:21-23

ii. Your own desires _____ and _____ for you. –2 Pet 2:14, 18

b. Step Two: *Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin*

i. Your desires are pictured as a _____. –Prov 7:6-23

ii. Sin is the product of the _____ of desire and the will. –Matt 7:21

c. Step Three: *and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death:*

i. Sin left unchecked _____. –Prov 5:22; Matt 6:24

ii. Sin left unchecked produces _____ death. –Jam 5:19-20

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