



TEMPTATION

OUR ENTICEMENTS & CHRIST'S SINLESSNESS

LUKE 4:1-2A

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4:1 And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. (ESV)

1. Plan _____

2. See _____

3. Prepare _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **1 Peter 5:8-9**. What's wrong with just "thinking positively" about the Christian life and avoiding any concerns about the kinds of things spoken of in these verses?
2. Read **Philippians 3:4-9**. As we fight our own temptations, why is it so critically important we remember that Christ's righteous life is the basis of our salvation? What happens when we forget this central Christian truth?
3. Read **Hebrews 2:17-18** and **4:15-16**. Carefully ponder these verses and write down some of the ways these realities can bring you strength and hope amid your temptations this week.

4. Read **1 Corinthians 10:1-13**. How do the bad examples of Israel in the wilderness and God's response toward them change your attitude about your daily fight with temptation?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Through the Bible) for schedule prompts.

April 7th

Judg.20-21 & Lk.11:1-28

April 8th

Ruth1-4 & Lk.11:29-54

April 9th

1Sam.1-3 & Lk.12:1-34

April 10th

1Sam.4-6 & Lk.12:35-59

April 11th

1Sam.7-9 & Lk.13:1-21

April 12th

1Sam.10-12 & Lk.13:22-35

April 13th

1Sam.13-14 & Lk.14:1-24

April 14th

1Sam.15-16 & Lk.14:25-35

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. # 10-09 – **The Foundation of our Sanctification**

Msg. # 08-25 – **Sin & Its Deceitfulness**

Msg. # 04-32 – **Astonishing Promises from a Faithful God**

Msg. # 10-51---10-62 – **Christology** (a twelve-part series on the person & work of Christ)

Msg. # 07-25---07-32 – **Our Fight With Sin** (an eight-part series on temptation)

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Bruce, A. B. **The Humiliation of Christ in Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects**. Reprint. Forgotten Books, 2012.
- Canham, Michael. "Evangelicals, Hermeneutics & the Impeccability Debate" **Master's S.J.** vol.11, no.1 (Spring, 2000).
- Mahaney, C. J., et al. **Worldliness: Resisting the Seduction of a Fallen World**. Crossway, 2008.
- Milton, John. **Paradise Lost and Paradise Regained**. Reprint. Signet Classics, 1995.
- Moore, Russell D. **Tempted and Tried: Temptation and the Triumph of Christ**. Crossway, 2011.
- Owen, John. **Overcoming Sin & Temptation**. Crossway Books, 2006.
- Packer, J. I. **Rediscovering Holiness**. Servant Publications, 1999.
- Peterson, Robert A. **Salvation Accomplished by the Son**. Crossway, 2011.
- Piper, John. **Counted Righteous in Christ: The Imputation of Christ's Righteousness**. Crossway, 2002.
- Reed, Gerard. **C. S. Lewis Explores Vice and Virtue**. Beacon Hill Press, 2001.
- Ryle, J. C. **Holiness: It's Nature, Hindrances, Difficulties and Roots**. Reprint. Charles Nolan Publishers, 2001.
- Scroggie, W. Graham. **Tested by Temptation**. Pickering & Inglis Ltd., 1923.
- Seifrid, Mark A. **Christ, Our Righteousness: Paul's Theology of Justification**. InterVarsity, 2001.
- Venning, Ralph. **The Sinfulness of Sin**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1997.
- Ware, Bruce. **The Man Jesus Christ: Theological Reflections on the Humanity of Christ**. Crossway, 2013.