



TEMPTATION

“IN TIME OF TEMPTATION”



“AND THESE HAVE NO ROOT, WHICH FOR A WHILE BELIEVE...”

Often after failing a temptation, we shrug it off with the attitude, “Oh well, I just wasn’t strong enough.” What should temptation teach us? When and what is this “time of temptation”?

Luke 8

- List the four different soils upon which the seed fell and the result: (8:5-8)

Soil	Result
1) _____	_____
2) _____	_____
3) _____	_____
4) _____	_____

- List the explanation Jesus gave concerning the meaning of the parable: (8:11-15)

- The seed:
- Those by the way side:
- Those on the rock:

- Those among thorns:
 - Those on good ground:
- Review characteristics of the seed that fell in “good ground:”



“They on the rock are they which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe and in time of temptation fall away.”

- How much fruit? (8:8)
- What kind of heart? (8:15)
- After hearing the word?
- How the fruit was brought forth?

- What two things did Jesus emphasize after He told the parable?

- Vs. 17** - “For nothing is...”
- Vs. 18** - “Take heed...”

“BLESSED IS THE MAN THAT ENDURETH TEMPTATION”

DEFINE the word “temptation” as you know it. Compare/contrast it to the Greek and Hebrew definitions. Is temptation positive or negative?

- Consider the following temptations:

- ◇ Physical desire
- ◇ Addictions
- ◇ Harboring resentment
- ◇ Slothfulness
- ◇ Pride
- ◇ Riches/pleasures of this world

- Refer to James 1:2-5; 12-18

- Does God tempt us to test us? (1:13)
- What is the root of temptation? (1:14-15)

- What is our comfort? (1:12; II Pet. 2:9)
- What is the purpose of fighting temptation? (1:2-4)

- More about temptation:

- The “day/time” Ps. 95:8-10; Luke 8:13
- The length: I Peter 1:6-7
- The return: Luke 4:13
- The strength to fight: I Cor. 10:13

- What do we need to fight temptation?

- Matt. 6:13
- Matt. 26:41
- Luke 4:4, 8, 12

Conclusion: “EXAMINE YOUR SOIL”

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- TEMPTATION** - (Gr. 3986) a putting to proof [by experiment (of good), experience (of evil); discipline or provocation]
- HONEST** - (Gr. 2570) “Kalos” an adjective meaning beautiful, good, regarded with honor; valuable, virtuous.
- PATIENCE** - (Gr. 5281) cheerful or hopeful, endurance, constancy; patient continuance (waiting).
- TEMPTATION** - (Heb. 4531) a testing.
- LUST** - (Gr. 1939) a longing (especially for what is forbidden).

VERSE of the WEEK

“For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest: neither any thing hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.”
- Luke 8:17

SUGGESTION FOR PRAYER

- THAT WE MAY STAY IN THE WORD TO FIGHT TEMPTATION.
- PRAY THAT WE MAY ENDURE TEMPTATION AND RECEIVE THE CROWN OF LIFE.