

The Conquest of Temptation

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Introduction

1. 1 Corinthians 10:13
2. Context:
 - a. Israel's deliverance from Egypt and bondage
 - b. Israel's sin in the wilderness Idolatry, fornication, tempting Christ, murmuring,
 - c. Israel is an example verse 6, 11
 - d. Israel fell and so can we verse 12
 - e. Israel fell because of succumbing to temptation 10:13
3. Temptation is the door through which Satan leads us to sin James 1:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:5; Matthew 4:1, 3; 1 Peter 5:8-9
4. Temptation is not sin and we do not have to enter this door James 4:7-8; 2 Peter 3:17
5. Consider: all are tempted, all can overcome temptation, all have a way of escape

II Discussion

1. All are tempted
 - a. Adam and Eve Genesis 3:6
 - b. Lot Genesis 13:10
 - c. Achan Joshua 7:21 1 Timothy 6:9ff
 - d. David, Solomon 2 Samuel 11:1-4; 1 Kings 11:1
 - e. Joseph Genesis 39:9
 - f. Daniel 1:8
 - g. Christ Matthew 4:1-11; Hebrews 4:15; 1 Peter 2:21-25
2. All can overcome temptation
 - a. We can resist the devil James 4:7-8; 1 Peter 5:8
 - b. God can help 2 Peter 2:9; 2 Thessalonians 3:3
 - c. God's Word helps Matthew 4:1-11
 - d. God's armor helps Ephesians 6:11-17
 - e. Knowledge helps 2 Peter 3:17
3. All have a way of escape
 - a. Joseph Genesis 39:12
 - b. Consent not and walk not Proverbs 1:10-15
 - c. Do not enter the path of the wicked Proverbs 4:15-16
 - d. Abstain from all appearance of evil 1 Thessalonians 5:22
 - e. Have no fellowship with them Ephesians 5:11
 - f. Give no place to the devil Ephesians 4:27
 - g. All can know the Bible and use it Matthew 4:1-11

III Conclusion

1. Temptation is not sin
2. Christ comforts those who are tempted yet who do not sin Hebrews 2:18; 4:15
3. Are you using all the help you have to overcome temptation?
4. Have you yielded to temptation
5. Repent and come back

Source: Old Sermon preached; Porter sermon outlines: F. Camp CD on 1 Corinthians