

## When We Pray - Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil

*Matthew 6:13; James 1:13; Matthew 6:13;*

**God allows us to encounter temptation- it is a normal part of living on this sin-filled planet; it is everywhere you turn. We should expect it.** *1 Corinthians 10:12-13; James 1:14-16; James 1:12; 1 Peter 1:6-9*

**Satan tempts us:** *Genesis 3; Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 8:33; Luke 22:31-32; Acts 5:3*

**How do I Win the Daily Battle with Temptation- What is the “Way Out” God Shows Me?**

**1. Adjust my value system to live with Jesus in the front of my mind all the time.** *Philippians 3:8-9; 2 Corinthians 5:21*

**2. Be best friends forever with the Holy Spirit.** *Galatians 5:16-17; Romans 8:26; Ephesians 3:16*

**3. Commit to consistent, caring Christ-centered community; let others into my heart and share my life with them. Invite others to watch out for me, and watch out for others.** *Matthew 26:38-41; Hebrews 10:23-25*

- Tell the Truth to friends
- Ask friends for Help
- Give friends Grace

**4. Devote my mind to the transforming power of the Word of God; allow it to change the way I see myself and influence my choices.** *Romans 12:2b; Hebrews 4:12*

**God made a “way out” of temptation and deliver me from the evil one- I choose today to walk His way.**

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### Next week’s reading guide:

Matthew 13  
Matthew 5:17-20; Colossians 1:11-20  
Matthew 7:12-14; 2 Thessalonians 1:3-7  
Matthew 18:1-4; 2 Timothy 4:1-5  
Matthew 19:16-30; Hebrews 12:25-29  
Matthew 20:1-16; 2 Peter 1:3-11  
Matthew 22:1-14; Romans 14:17

### Discussion Questions:

1. How often throughout an average day do you think about Jesus? How much does He influence your choices?
2. Do you talk with the Holy Spirit throughout the day? Describe your friendship with Him.  
 Not a friend    Just beginning  
 Authentic and growing    BFF
3. How well are you connected to caring Christian community? Do you use the TAG model or something like it? Share.
4. How has the Word transformed your mind and changed the way you see yourself? Discuss.