

September 21, 2025

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Logan Yancey

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Ross Shackelford

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Gene Yancey (A.M.)

Brad McAlister (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Jimmy Vandygriff (A.M.)

Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Lord’s Table

David Smith

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Danny Shackelford & Brice Lindley

Wednesday Night Song Leader

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7;Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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OVERCOMING TEMPTATION

Mark Lindley

Temptation is something we all have in common. Temptation comes in many forms and is presented to us through many sources, but each one must deal with temptation.

In the first century, many people in the city of Corinth overcame a sinful past through obedience to the Gospel of Christ (I Corinthians 6:9-11; Acts 18:8; I Corinthians 15:1-2). Though they had been guilty of all kinds of sin, their sins had been washed away. Now, they needed encouragement—encouragement to battle temptation and remain faithful to Christ. The apostle Paul wrote the following words to encourage them: “There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it” (I Corinthians 10:13).

This verse, originally designed to encourage first-century Christians in Corinth, will encourage Christians today in fighting temptation. This passage teaches:

1. That temptation is common. “There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man.” This concept is comforting and encouraging. Christians need to be reminded that being tempted is not sinful. Regardless of how difficult one’s battle against temptation may be there is nothing wrong with experiencing temptation. Temptation is “common.”

Jesus was tempted “in all points” as we are; yet, He did not sin (Hebrews 4:15). When Jesus encountered Satan’s temptations, those temptations were just as real as the temptations we face today (Matthew 4:1-11). Yes, even Jesus, the Son of God, was tempted.

Feeling tempted may cause us to question whether we are spiritual; it may cause us to feel inferior or inadequate. Understanding that temptation is “common” should help us. Even Jesus was tempted!

2. That God will provide a way of escape. The text says that with each temptation, God will provide a way of escape that we may be able to bear it. We have to look for the “way of escape,” but there will be a way we can resist the temptation (cf. James 4:7). To escape temptation at work, one may need to ask for a job transfer. To escape temptation at school, one may need to choose new friends. To escape temptation when travelling on business, a married person may need to stay in close contact with one’s spouse. The point is that there “will” be a way of escape. God, who is “faithful,” has promised it.

I trust these ideas will strengthen us all as we cope with temptation. Keep on fighting!

THE APOSTLES—JOHN THE SON OF ZEBEDEE

James Pilgrim

John, the son of Zebedee and Salome (Matthew 20:20 and Mark 10:35), is a prominent New Testament personality. Although his name does not appear in either of them, except the book of Revelation (Revelation 1:4), it appears that he wrote the books of John, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John, and the Revelation. Cf. Robert R. Taylor, Jr's Studies in The Book of Revelation, Chapter 1, pages 12-14. Each of these books, among other things, stresses love. One verse from each book is John 3:16; 1 John 2:5; 2 John 1; 3 John 1; Revelation 3:19.

Matthew 4:21, 22 records the call of John and his brother, telling us that "they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him. Jesus' selection of these two was on target. It seems that they became close. At least, they are often seen alone with Him. (Mark 9:1-10, at Jesus' transfiguration; Matthew 26:36, 37, at prayer in Gethsemane; Mark 5:35-43, at the raising from the dead of the ruler of the synagogue's daughter, especially verse 37). They are sometimes called Jesus' inner circle.

A number believe that John, the son of Zebedee, is the one who "was leaning on Jesus' bosom...whom Jesus loved...and who asked, Lord, who is it." (John 13:23-25). John 21:24 seems to support this conclusion.

John was often with Jesus, especially at miracles being performed. For example, when Peter's mother-in-law was healed (Matthew 8:14, 15); the raising of Jairus' daughter (Mark 5:35-42); catching of many fish (John 21:1-14); at the transfiguration (Matthew 17:1ff); in the garden. (Matthew 26:36-46).

At times, John was intolerant, as in the case of one he did not recognize. (Mark 9:38). Jesus corrected John. (Verses 39-50). On one occasion, he desired the wrong kind of greatness, and Jesus corrected him. (Matthew 20:20-28). He was present at the observance of the Passover, when Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper, and revealed His traitor. (Matthew 26:17ff). It appears that John was at the crucifixion, resurrection and sepulcher. (John 18:15, 16; 19:26, 27; 20:2-8; 1 Corinthians 15:7). John is seen with Jesus at the Sea of Tiberias after His resurrection. (John 21:1, 2). John and Peter were held by the healed lame man at the temple. (Acts 3:1-11). He witnessed the ascension of Jesus (Acts 1:1-11) before returning to Jerusalem, praying with the women (Acts 12-14), appointing an apostle, Matthias, to take Judas' place (Acts 1:15-26)), and beginning the church. (Acts 2). John, a pillar of the church (Galatians 2:9), was further active in the work of the Lord, going with Peter to Samaria to preach and impart the gift of the Spirit. (Acts 8:14-17), and wrote the epistles, mentioned afore. What would (could) the church be if each of us were like John?

UPCOMING EVENTS

Special Thanks to all that helped make our 2025 FALL LECTURESHIP great. Thanks to everyone who invited, attended, and prepared food. Great job!

CHAPMAN'S TRUNK-R -TREAT & HOTDOG ROAST

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Remember count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the broken-hearted.

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❖ **EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Caleb McAlister, Pam Mathis, Lori Chapman, Garrison Coats, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry

❖ **CANCER:** Marilyn Harrell, Vince Jordan, Jane Childs, Kelly Foster, Paula Curtis, Maverick Speck (3 yr. old), Cindy Moffitt, Kenny James, Chris Grisham, Benny Wallis, Billy Gross, Wade Carmichael, Tiny Willis, Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Tish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz

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