

THE MODEL PRAYER - Part VII

Reference: **Matthew 6:9-13**

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verse ten, “Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

verse eleven, “Give us this day our daily bread.”

verse twelve, “and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.”

verse thirteen, “and do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one...”

The last request in this model prayer addresses temptation.

Definition: temptation (in a spiritual sense) is an _____ and _____ to commit sin

But the original Greek word found in **verse thirteen** that is translated as temptation has nothing to do temptation in that normal sense. That particular word is a _____ word in the original language.

That Greek word translated as temptation just means “to put to a _____ or _____”; so, to some people that word presents an interpretive problem: is this word a reference to enticing someone to sin or does this word just mean a testing?

There’s a second problem here. If this temptation is to be understood as a solicitation to commit some sin, then why do we need to ask God to not lead us into temptation since God _____ people to sin?

Reference: **James 1:13**, “Let no one say when he is tempted, ‘I am tempted by God’, for God cannot be tempted by evil, **nor does He Himself tempt anyone.**”

Principle: God _____ not tempt us because He is _____ and God _____ not tempt us because He is _____!

The Big Idea of this phrase from the model prayer is that we are to ask God to lead us toward good and righteous things and to _____ from potentially bad situations and bad things

Four statements about temptation:

ONE is Satan directs temptation at the point where we are most _____

Reference: **Matthew 4:1-11** (see screen)

TWO is _____ is not the solution to temptation
Discipline is a good thing but discipline is not the solution to temptation.

Reference: **Colossians 2:20-23** (see screen)

THREE is focus on Jesus so much so that we are _____ with Him

Reference: **Philippians 1:21**, “**For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.**”

FOUR is _____ from temptation

Reference: **II Timothy 2:22**, “**Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.**”

Example: **Genesis 39:6b-12** (see screen)

Friends can help us run from temptation:

There are two categories of friends that can help us resist temptation:

- There are _____ friends
- There are _____ - _____ friends