7 July 2021

When temptation comes knocking

Matthew 4:1-11

Temptation
may be tempted, Galatians 6:1
will be tempted, 1 Peter 5:8-9
was tempted, Matthew 4:3, Hebrews 4:15
Temptations keep Matthew 4:3, 5, 9.
Where temptation comes
I am tempted by Matthew 4:3
I am tempted by James 1:14, 1 Peter 2:11
why I am tempted
God wants me to Matthew 4:1, Exodus 20:20, Deut.8:16
Satan wants to be more than Jesus, Matthew 4:9
My flesh nature is to sin, Romans 7:21-23
Sin appears to the flesh, Hebrews 11:25
Temptation is an invitation to believe a Matthew 4:9, Psalm 24:1
How I am tempted, and how to
I am tempted when I have needs, Matthew 4:1
Unmet physical needs, Matthew 4:2, 1 Corinthians 7:4-6
Unmet psychological needs:
I am tempted when I am in Matthew 4:1, Hebrews 10:25
I am tempted when I have Matthew 4:8-9, 1 John 4:14
I am tempted when I am doing Matthew 4:5-6, Acts 17:11-12
I o'come temptation by following Matthew 4:10, 1 Peter 2:11

My prayer priorities for this week

- S 7 Lurline & Terry
- M 8 Rosalie & Jim D
- T 9 Ian & Eleanor
- W 10 Mary F
- T 11 Jean H
- F 12 Myanmar orphans & students
- S 13 Paula & Paul
- S 14 Diane J

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

- 1. What do you think makes temptation tempting?
- 2. James 4:7-8 has several helpful instructions. Why is the order in which they are presented import for us to follow?
- 3. James 4:7 contains a promise. What is it, and how do you believe it when it is not immediately fulfilled?
- 4. The text, 2 Timothy 2:22 also contains several instructions. Is there a sequence to follow with these actions? Why, or why not?
- 5. Jesus taught us to pray that, a) we not be led into temptation, Matthew 6:13, b) we would not fall into temptation, Luke 22:40. What would be an appropriate specific prayer request that would prevent temptation?
- 6. Very good advice is found in 1 Peter 2:11, but how do I put it into practice?

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