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***“Trials teach us what we are; they dig up the soil and let us see what we are made of.”***

*—Charles Spurgeon*

**“Satan gives Adam an apple, and takes away Paradise. Therefore in all temptations let us consider not what he offers, but what we shall lose.”**

*- Richard Sibbes*



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## DEFINITION “*temptation*”

**1: the wish to do or have something that you know you should not do or have: something that makes you want to do or have something that you know you should not:** *i.e. He knew it was wrong to steal, but the money just lying there was too great a temptation.*

**2: the act of tempting; enticement or allurement.**

**3: something that tempts, entices, or allures.**

First recorded in 1175–1225; Middle English *temptacion*, from Latin *temptātiōn*- (stem of *temptātiō*) “a testing”; see tempt, -ation

**A temptation, then, in general is anything that, for any reason, exerts a force or influence to seduce and draw the mind and heart of a person from the obedience which God requires of them to any kind of sin.**



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**Matthew 26:41** Watch and pray, that ye enter not into **temptation** (**peirasmos**) : the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.

**TEMPTATION** (some versions say 'trials') Strong's Greek Dictionary 3986. πειρασμος *peirasmos* ***pi-ras-mos***' from 3985; **a putting to proof** (by experiment (of good), **experience** (of evil), solicitation, discipline or provocation); by implication, **adversity**:—temptation, X try.



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**TRIAL/TRYING** = Strong's Greek Dictionary 1383.

δοκιμιον dokimion *dok-im'-ee-on*; **a testing; by implication, trustworthiness**:—trial, trying.

**James 1:2-3** My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers **temptations** (peirasmos) ; Knowing *this*, that **the trying** (dokimion) of your faith worketh patience. <sup>6</sup>





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1 Peter 1:6-7 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold **temptations** (**peirasmos**) : That **the trial** (**dokimion**) of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:



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**Hebrews 4:14-16** Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* profession. For **we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.** Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.





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## Finding Strength in God's Promises

**James 1:12** Blessed *is* the man that **endureth temptation**:  
for **when he is tried**, he shall receive the crown of life,  
which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

**Philippians 4:6-7** **Be careful for nothing**; but in every thing by prayer  
and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known  
unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall  
keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**Psalm 23:4** Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou  
*art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.



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## Consider the Promise

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- 1) No uncommon temptations.
- 2) No temptation beyond your ability in Christ.
- 3) Always a way to escape or endure.



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## NO UNCOMMON TEMPTATION

**Genesis 3:1-3** Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.



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## NO UNCOMMON TEMPTATION

**Matthew 4:3-4** And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and s, **It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**



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**EVE:** God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

**JESUS:** “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.” “It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.”

“Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.”

**1 John 2:15-17** Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. **For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.** And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.



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**Ezekiel 18:20-22** The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. But if the wicked **will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right,** he shall surely live, he shall not die. All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.



# FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND (1939 by Mary Stevenson)

One night I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord. Many scenes from my life flashed across the sky. In each scene I noticed footprints in the sand. Sometimes there were two sets of footprints, other times there were one set of footprints.

This bothered me because I noticed that during the low periods of my life, when I was suffering from anguish, sorrow or defeat, I could see only one set of footprints.

So I said to the Lord, "You promised me Lord, that if I followed you, you would walk with me always. But I have noticed that during the most trying periods of my life there have only been one set of footprints in the sand. Why, when I needed you most, you have not been there for me?"

The Lord replied, "The times when you have seen only one set of footprints, is when I carried you."

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he *it is* that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

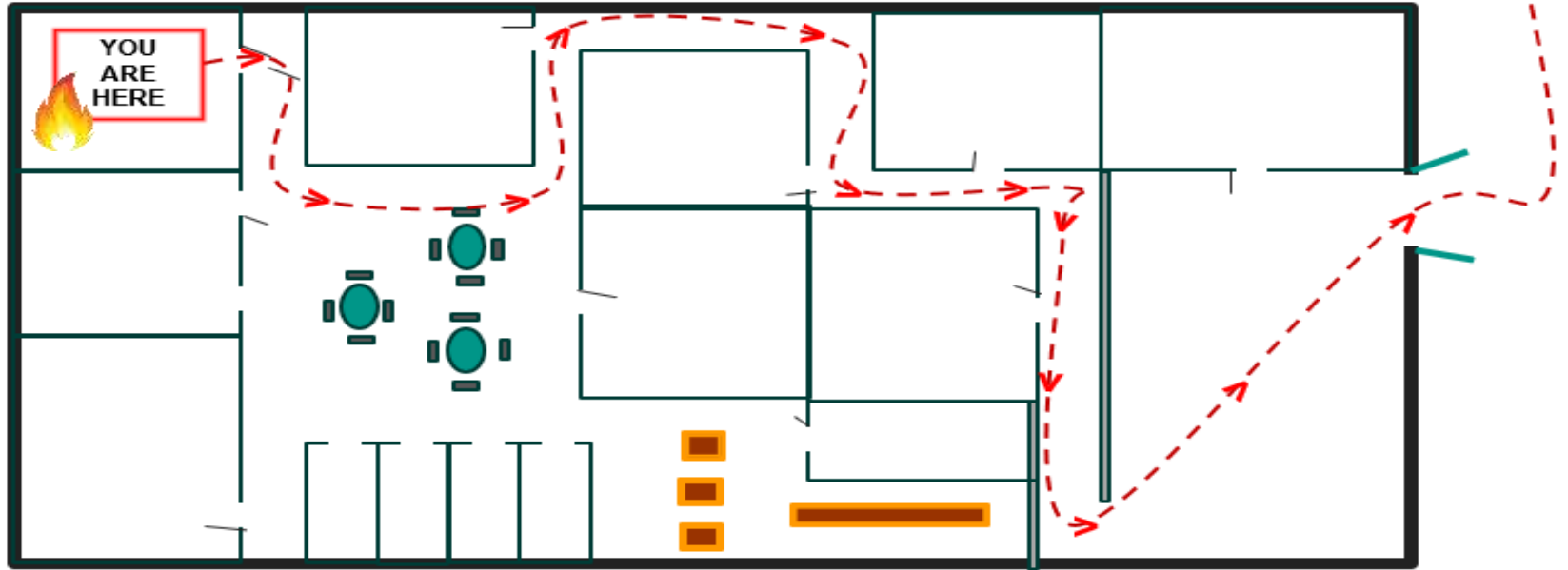




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**James 1:13-16** Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: **But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.** Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth **sin**: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth **death**.  
**Do not err, my beloved brethren.**





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## FLASH FLOODING!



GOD, GUIDE ME! I TRUST YOU!





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**Acts 4:34-37** Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold, And laid *them* down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need. And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, *and* of the country of Cyprus, Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.



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**Acts 5:1-4** But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, And kept back *part* of the price, his wife also being privy *to it*, and brought a certain part, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, why hath **Satan filled thine heart** to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back *part* of the price of the land? **Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power?** why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.



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**Revelation 2:10** **Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer:** behold, the devil shall cast some of you **into prison, that ye may be tried;** and ye shall have tribulation ten days: **be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.**

**Acts 8:22** **Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee. ;**





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**1 John 1:7-9** But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**1 Corinthians 10:14** Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry. <sup>23</sup>



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**1 Corinthians 6:18 Flee fornication.** Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

**Genesis 39:10-12** And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her. ... And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and **he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.**



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**1 Peter 5:8-9** Be sober, **be vigilant**; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom **resist stedfast in the faith**, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

**Galatians 5:16** *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall **not** fulfil the lust of the flesh.



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Luke 22:46 And said unto them,  
Why sleep ye? rise and **pray, lest  
ye enter into temptation.**

Matthew 26:41 **Watch and pray, that  
ye enter not into temptation:** the spirit  
indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.



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**Matthew 6:13** **And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:**  
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

**Proverbs 16:9** A man's heart deviseth his way: but **the LORD directeth his steps.**

**Luke 1:79** To give light to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.



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**1 John 5:3-4** For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. For whatsoever is born of God **overcometh the world:** and **this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.**

**1 Corinthians 15:57** But thanks *be* to God, which **giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**THANK YOU!**

**HAVE A GREAT REST OF THE SABBATH**

