



Overcoming Temptation

Part 4: Lust of the Eyes

Luke 4:5-7

I. Play Number Two: “The Lust of the Eyes”

A. Important Terms:

1. Lust: *Strong desire*, craving, longing.
2. Eyes: Context – the eyes, _____ *of the mind*.
3. Temptation: To desire to fulfill a *legitimate human need* in a way that is outside of God’s will and timing.
4. Lust of the Eyes: The strong desire, the longing to _____ something that we see, but do not have. _____.

B. Covetousness:

1. The inordinate desire for _____, _____, or _____.
2. Scriptures: Exodus 20:17; Luke 12:15
3. Jesus links “covetousness” to the _____ - Hence, “*The Lust of the Eyes*”: Matthew 6:19-23

II. Jesus’ Temptation With The “Lust of the Eyes”:

A. Luke 4:5-6: Satan’s Offer

1. Satan became the “_____ *of this world*” through Adam’s sin: John 12:31; 14:30; II Corinthians 4:4; Ephesians 2:1-2; Revelation 12:7-12
2. Satan held the “*Title* _____” to earth, which belonged to man, but was lost in the Fall: Genesis 3:14-19; Romans 8:18-23
3. Satan, therefore, could legitimately offer to Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, the _____ over the world, and the _____:

4. Satan was offering Jesus a _____, a “*get rich quick*” pathway – to avoid the Cross: Philippians 2:5-8; Hebrews 12:2; Revelation 5:1-5

B. Luke 4:7-8: Satan’s Demand

1. Satan’s desire from the very beginning was to receive God’s _____ and _____: Isaiah 14:12-15; Ezekiel 28:2, 17; Revelation 13:4-8, 15
2. Ultimately, the “Lust of the Eyes” is a matter of _____ - the complete _____ and _____ to someone or something.
3. Our hearts have the capacity to worship only _____ thing. Our hearts were created to worship _____!
4. We have a clear choice to make: Worship _____ or worship _____: Matthew 6:24

C. We Are Always Worshipping:

1. The _____ of our heart, and the _____ of our resources, declare the *object of our worship*:
2. I John 2:15; Colossians 3:1-2; James 4:1-5

III. How To Overcome the “Lust of the Eyes”

A. **Commit your heart to worship _____!**
Colossians 3:5; Matthew 22:36-38

B. **Commit your heart to a life of _____ through _____!**

1. “Now godliness with _____ is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having _____ and _____, with these we shall be content.” I Timothy 6:6-8
2. “...*for I have _____ in whatever state I am to be content...*” Philippians 4:11-13
3. Ephesians 5:1-4: _____!