



Overcoming Temptation Part 1: The Spirit Filled Life Luke 4:1-2; 3:21-22

- I. **Introduction:** The Problem With Freedom
- A. **The Promise of Freedom:** Galatians 5:1; II Corinthians 3:17-18; Romans 6:14
- B. **The Problem of Freedom:** Romans 7:19-21; Gal. 4:6-9
- II. **Understanding Temptation: The Spirit Filled Life**
- A. **The Spirit Filled Life –and- Temptation**
- Luke 4:1-2:** The Spirit filled life is not a life devoid of **difficulty** or **temptation**. In fact, God does not remove these things from our lives – *He leads us through them!*
 - God is never the **author** of temptation. Temptation always comes from **Satan**, and the weakness of our **sinful** nature (flesh): James 1:12-18; John 10:7-10
 - The Holy Spirit does not walk us into temptation – *but He empowers us to go through it!* Temptation and trials will be at **every turn** in our lives: Matthew 6:13; Psalms 23:1-4; I Corinthians 10:12-13; John 17:13-19
 - The question at hand is – “*How will we navigate through it?*”
- B. **The Promise Of The Spirit!**
- Luke 3:21-22:** “...*while He was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove...*”
 - Romans 8:4-17; Luke 11:1-13: “...*how much more will the Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?*”



Overcoming Temptation Part 2: Understanding The Enemies Playbook

- I. **Review: The Spirit Filled Life and Temptation**
- II. **Understanding The Enemy’s Playbook!**
- A. **Our Adversary Is Not _____!**
- I John 2:15-17: The “*Love of the World*” defined:
 - Lust of the _____
 - Lust of the _____
 - _____ of life
 - Genesis 3:4-5: The same page of the enemy’s playbook:
 - Pleasant to the _____ / Match: 1:_____
 - Good for _____ / Match: 1:_____
 - Desirable to make one _____ / Match 1:_____
- B. **Lust & Pride - Man’s most formidable opponents!**
- Lust:** A longing for, craving, desire for – usually that which is _____. Galatians 5:17
 - Pride:** Empty, braggart talk; trusting in the stability of _____ things. Proverbs 29:23
 - Lust and Pride come knocking at the door when we are weak or in need: **Luke 4:2**; I Peter 5:8
 - The enemy hits us during:
 - Times of _____ (physical or emotional)
 - Times of _____
 - Times of _____
 - Time of great _____ or _____
- C. We need to learn how to _____ and _____ temptation – *if we are going to overcome it!* John 8:31-32; Proverbs 24:1-4; James 4:7-8