

Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



WELCOME TO CEC Pastor Phill and Sara
 WORSHIP VIDEO Praise him you heavens
 MEDIA Shine
 PRAYER
 UPDATES Pastor Phill and Sara
 GETTING TO KNOW Kevin and Rebecca Croft
 BIBLE READING Matthew 4:1-11
 WORSHIP VIDEO..... Who breaks the power (this is amazing grace)
 MESSAGE Taught by Kevin Croft
 WORSHIP VIDEO..... Yet not I



Battling Temptation
The fight we all face
Matthew 4:1-11

When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; ¹⁴but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. ¹⁵Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.
James 1:13-15

WHAT TEMPTATION ISN'T:

1. It isn't _____.
2. It isn't _____.
3. It isn't _____.

THE LIES THE DEVIL USES:

1. You _____ this.
2. You can _____ this.

THE TRUTH JESUS USES:

It is written x 3

THE HOPE JESUS BRINGS:

1: Satan didn't _____ Jesus didn't _____

2: Jesus can _____ with us

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Hebrew 4:15

THE GIFTS GOD GIVES:

1: God _____ in us

I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. John 14:18

2: God _____ to us

Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
²but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,
and who meditates on his law day and night. Psalm 1:1-2

3: We _____ to God

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. Matthew 6:13



SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

1. Do you see temptation as a battle that we all have to fight or just another area of weakness that as Christians we will just have to struggle on with in this life? What effect will this have then as we think about the areas of temptation we all struggle with?
2. How does James help us with our understanding of what temptation isn't? How might these truths help us fight temptation?
3. What were the lies the devil used to tempt Jesus? Where in your life are you tempted by these same lies?
4. As you reflect on your battle with temptation are you able to identify markers that might make you more likely to fall for these lies? Tiredness, ill health, stress etc.
5. We will continue to struggle with temptation in this life. What hope does Jesus give to us particularly when we are enticed into sin through temptation?
Satan didn't _____ Jesus didn't _____
6. We cannot battle temptation on our own and God doesn't expect us to either. Which of the gifts that God gives his children do you remember or use more in your fight against temptation?



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