

For follow up study of the sermon on June 26, 2016

STUDY GUIDE: THE BATTLE: “Temptation”

Discussion Starters

1. How often are you aware of temptation?
2. What do you think is the most common temptation?

Study:

3. Using an exhaustive concordance and/or topical Bible, discover everything you can about temptation in the Bible. Note the passages you found and what they taught you below.

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4. To complete the next section of the study guide, you will need to use a Bible Dictionary. Remember, the words listed below are from the NASU, but the word you are trying to define is the Hebrew or Greek word translated by the NASU—NOT the English word. If you have any questions about how to use these tools, contact your group leader or one of the pastoral staff.

Define the following words or terms.

- “counsel” (Psalm 1:1)—
- “tempted” (Matthew 4:1)—
- “keep watching” (Matthew 26:41)—
- “escape” (1 Corinthians 10:13)—
- “weaknesses” (Hebrews 4:15)—
- “enticed” (James 1:14)—

5. Choose one of the words you looked up above, and write how understanding the meaning and background of that word better helped you understand this passage.

6. How does one avoid temptation (cite your source)?

7. Why do we experience temptation (cite your source)?

Taking It Home

8. What is your favorite strategy for avoiding temptation?

9. What temptation do you struggle most with? What can you do today (immediately) to conquer it?