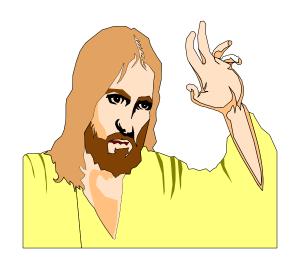
Jesus Teaches Us How to Resist Temptation PART 1



OUR DAILY BREAD

Junior Edition

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SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom. (Colossians 3:16a KJB)

For many of you SEPTEMBER means



SCHOOL!



Well, did you know that God has a SCHOOL? He sure does! His school is the

SCHOOL OF WISDOM!

And do you know who the PRINCIPAL of God's School is? Can figure that out from this scripture?

"But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:"

1Corinthians 1:30 KJB

The PRINCIPAL of God's school is Jesus Christ! He is the ONLY ONE who can give you God's WISDOM! Why? Because Jesus IS God's WISDOM because JESUS IS GOD! And on top of that, Jesus is the ONLY ONE who can enroll you into God's School of Wisdom! He is the ONLY ENTRANCE IN! Read John 14:6 & John 10:9 KJB Jesus is the LIVING WORD OF GOD! Read John 1:1-18 KJB

God calls out to EVERY ONE to come to His school whether you are young or old! God's Word tells us that His WISDOM calls out to everyone everywhere! Proverbs 8:1-4 KJB

"Doth not <u>wisdom</u> cry? And understanding put forth her voice?

She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.

She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.

<u>Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man."</u>

See! God's WISDOM calls out to YOU no matter WHO you are or WHERE you are! Now read exactly WHAT God's WISDOM'S cries out to YOU:

"O ye simple, understand wisdom: and ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart."

Proverbs 8:5KJB

Oh my! Is that God calling us SIMPLE & FOOLS? Yes indeed! You see, without God's Word in our souls, WE ARE SIMPLE! WE ARE FOOLS! God is saying to us that we should REALIZE that we really don't know the truth about anything without Him! We must REALIZE that WE NEED GOD if we want to BE WISE! We must say, God I NEED YOU TO TEACH ME! I WANT YOU TO TEACH ME! And then, guess what! God WILL teach you from His WONDERFUL SCHOOL OF WISDOM! And WHERE can we attend God's wonderful school

of wisdom?

Why, right there in our KING JAMES BIBLE OF 1611.

The PRINCIPAL SUBJECT of the KING JAMES BIBLE is JESUS CHRIST. He is GOD'S WISDOM! Get to know, love & obey Jesus & you will be WISE! Read Proverbs 9:10 & Proverbs 1:7 KJB. Well, now we know that God has a SCHOOL of WISDOM & we know WHERE to find it & how to enroll in it. So WHAT does God's WISDOM teach?

"Hear; for I will speak of <u>excellent things</u>; and the opening of my lips shall be <u>right things</u>. For my mouth shall speak <u>truth</u>; and wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

All the words of my mouth are in righteousness (All His Words are what is RIGHT!); <u>there is nothing froward or perverse (wrong) in them</u>."

Proverbs 8:6-8 KJB

What does God's WISDOM in His Bible teach us?

EXCELLENT THINGS RIGHT THINGS TRUTH NO WICKEDNESS

NO WRONG THINGS

Now if you are like me, sometimes some of the subjects I had to take in school were

DIFFICULT & CONFUSING TO ME!

But look what God says about the subjects in His SCHOOL OF WISDOM:

"They are all plain to him that understandeth,

and right to them that find knowledge."

Proverbs 8:9 KJB

Psalm 119:130 KJB tells us this about God's Word:

"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding to the simple."

So if YOU are someone who understands that you DON'T KNOW the truth about everything, if YOU are someone who understands that you NEED GOD & HIS WISDOM, if YOU are someone who WANTS to go to God's SCHOOL OF WISDOM, God PROMISES that His Word will be PLAIN & SIMPLE for you to understand!. It will be RIGHT! It will be EXCELLENT! It will give you LIGHT & UNDERSTANDING. It will give you TRUTH! There will be NOTHING WICKED OR WRONG in it! In fact God promises that when you attend His school of wisdom & obey His Word that you learn there, you'll be BLESSED & WISE! God promises!

"Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

Blessed is the man (That's YOU if you hear God's instructions & do them.) that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. (The doors to God's school - Jesus, God's Living Word! All He tells us is now

saved for us to read & learn in the King James Bible!)
For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the LORD." Proverbs 8:33-36 KJB

Those sure are wonderful promises that we receive by simply going to God's School of Wisdom & DO-ING what we learn there! But look what God says about those who REFUSE to go to God's school & REFUSE to do things God's way:

"But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death."

Proverbs 8:36 KJB

Did you understand that? God says that when we don't do things HIS WAY, we HURT OUR-SELVES! God LOVES US! And because He loves us & KNOWS what is BEST for us, He tells us only the EXCELLENT & RIGHT & GOOD things for us to do. When we obey Him, we are

LIVING OUR LIVES IN HIS LOVE!

So let's listen to what God's WISDOM is crying out for us today to help us learn the EXCEL-LENT & RIGHT & GOOD things for us to do so that we can

RESIST TEMTATION!

For the past 2 weeks, we have been looking into God's Word to find the answer to a question that some of our students had here at Grace Christian Fellowship Church. The question was:

How can we resist temptations such as drugs & alcohol?

So far We've learned quite a bit from God's Word - from HIS SCHOOL OF WISDOM, now found in our

King James Bible - about how to RESIST such temptations. But as all good teachers know, students need EXAMPLES to help them see how what they are teaching us WORKS IN REAL LIFE! And God is our BEST TEACHER! His Bible is FILLED with REAL LIFE examples - some that we SHOULD follow & some that we SHOULD NOT follow. So today we will begin to look at a real life

EXAMPLE

of Someone who resisted temptation by DOING THINGS GOD'S WAY - by OBEYING GOD! This example of how we can RESIST TEMPTATION is one that we SHOULD ABSOLUTELY FOLLOW! Why? Because the example is JESUS! Jesus will show us EXACTLY how we can RESIST TEMPTATION!

Now some of you may be thinking: "How could Jesus know what it feels like to be tempted by such things as drugs & alcohol? Jesus could never have been tempted like us! After all, Jesus was PERFECT & STRONG. He was GOD inside a HUMAN BODY! How could Jesus ever be tempted like me?" But let's not go along with what WE think. Let's ALWAYS see what God says about a matter. And here is

what God says happened to Jesus while He was here on this earth in His human body.

"For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour (help) them that are tempted."

Hebrews 2:18 KJB

God's SCHOOL OF WISDOM tells us that Jesus SUFFERED being TEMPTED!

Jesus was tempted many, many times while He was on earth. God says that Jesus CAN HELP us with our temptations - even those of drug & alcohol abuse - because Jesus WENT THROUGH TEMPTATIONS HIMSELF & SUCCESSFULLY RESISTED EVERY ONE OF THEM! Though TEMPTED as we are, Jesus NEVER SINNED! Jesus NEVER GAVE IN TO TEMPTATION! Some accounts of His sufferings of temptations have been WRITTEN DOWN in God's in the Bible so that we might LEARN FROM HIM how to RESIST TEMPTATION! Jesus CER-TAINLY CAN help us RESIST TEMPTAION! If we are God's children, we can ALWAYS ask Jesus to help us! Here's is what God says about this:

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, <u>Jesus the Son of God</u>, let us hold fast *our* profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; <u>but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet,</u> without sin.



Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, <u>and find grace to help in</u> time of need."

Hebrews 4:15-16 KJB

We'll continue this lesson next week. See you then!

GRACE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Pastor John A. Ricci

Sunday Morning Service

10:00 A.M.

Sunday Transportation Service ~ Call 24 hours Prior

Weekly Services

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:30 P.M.

Prayer Meeting

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:00-7:20 P.M.

Communion Service

First Sunday of Every Month

Children's Prep School (Ages 5-14) & Mother's Room

Available for Every Service

Email

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From I-95

- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W**.
- Take <u>Killingly St</u> (**Rt. 128**) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end on <u>Manton Ave</u>; cross bridge. Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end and stay *Left* around the
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146** N turn *Left* off Exit; from **146** S turn *Right*.
- Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end and stay *Left* around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
 - Take next *Right* onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
 - Go about 1½ mi.
 - **G.C.F.** is on the *Right*.

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