

Worship Service

July 16th, 2017

9:30 am	Welcome & Opening Prayers
10:00 am	Adult Sunday school
10:40 am	Praises & Worship
10:55 am	Congregational Hymns
11:00 am	Today's Message <i>Triumph over Temptation</i>
11:45 am	Offering - Ushers <i>Offering Hymn</i>
12:00 pm	Closing Prayers & Benediction

July Birthdays

Brother Ezekiel	July 3 rd
Sister Josephine	July 10 th
Brother Jeremiah	July 13 th

Today's Message: Triumph over Temptation

John 14:1 – 6; Matthew 4:1 - 10

Christianity is the journey to Heaven. Jesus is the way to Heaven. Many have started the Christian race with joy, passion and hope. However, it is unfortunate that the passion has dissipated, the fire has died out, and their Christianity has become history.

I. Temptation and the Devil's Wiles

James 1:13 – 15; Joshua 7:21; Acts 5:1 – 10; Genesis 3:1 – 6; Matthew 4:1 – 10; 2 Samuel 13:1 – 7; 16:21 – 23; Revelation 2:20 - 23

Temptation is an invitation to sin, a suggestion to go on a detour, an enticement to do evil. Temptation itself is not a sin but yielding to it is sin. It comes to all no matter our level of grace, faith and anointing. It is more deadly at our weakest or vulnerable moments. The chief agent in temptation is satan.

II. Triumphant the Divine Way

1. Resist every suggestion & invitation to sin w/ the Word of God. Matthew 4:1 – 13; Psalm 119:9, 11.
2. Resist the devil & his passionate urge to go astray. James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:8, 9.
3. Flee youthful lust and stay clear of the tempter. 1 Peter 2:11; 2 Timothy 2:22; Genesis 39:11; 2 Samuel 11:1 – 5.
4. Put on the whole armor of God. Ephesians 6:11 – 18.
5. Watch & pray. Matthew 24:42; 26:41

III. Examples of Temptation Resisted

Genesis 14:23; 39:7 – 12; 2 Kings 5:16; Job 2:9 – 10; Jeremiah 35:5 – 6; Daniel 1:8; Acts 8:20

Even though, we see and hear of the mighty fallen, men of God backsliding, we still have examples of those who resisted temptations that came their way. It is not a matter of beginning the race but those that end that get the crowns. 1 Corinthians 9:24 – 27.