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HEBREWS 2:8; 1 CORINTHIANS 10:13

Text: Hebrews 2:18

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¹⁸ For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

1 Corinthians 10:13

¹³ There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.

Introduction:

We all will face times of temptation. Temptation in itself isn't sin but rather succumbing to it is.

Temptation may be in the form of lust, desire, or maybe in the form of trial or trouble.

Notice:

1. THE PURPOSE OF TEMPTATION

A. To Prove Us

1 Peter 1:6-7

⁶ Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: ⁷ That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

B. To Prepare Us

1 Peter 4:12-13

¹² Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: ¹³ But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

C. To Promote Us

James 1:12

¹² Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

D. To Build Patience

James 1:2

² My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

E. To Keep Form Pride

2 Corinthians 12:7

⁷ And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

2. THE PROTECTION IN TEMPTATION

God is faithful and is able to succor them

God giveth more grace and promises a way of escape.

3. THE PROCEDURE TO USE IN TEMPTATION

A. Request God's Help

Hebrews 4:15-16

¹⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are, yet* without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

B. Refuse to be Intimidated

Ephesians 6:10-11

¹⁰Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

C. Refocus Your Attention

James 1:14-15

¹⁴ But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. ¹⁵ Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

D. Resist the Tempter

James 4:7

⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

E. Remember God's Word – The reason we are to hide God's Word in our heart