
Studies in the Book of James

Overcoming Temptation to Sin (James 1:12-18)

Lesson #2, Sunday, January 13, 2019

I. Review

1. How can we “count it all joy” when we “fall into trials”?
2. What should trials produce?
3. What should we pray for when trials come?

II. Questions:

1. From the following verses determine what sin is.
 1. 1 John 3:4
 2. James 4:17
 3. Romans 14:23
2. Apparently, some were blaming God for their sin. They reasoned that if God is in control, He must be responsibly when they yielded to temptation. Since temptation (enticement to sin) does not come from God, where does it come from?
3. Who blamed someone else when they sinned?
4. What are the “desires” in verse 14?
5. Sin comes from: (1 John 2:15-17)
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
6. In verse 15, James compares sin to the birth process: desire, conception, sin. How did the following STOP the process and not sin?
 1. Joseph
 2. Daniel

3. Jesus

7. What does sin, when “full grown” bring?
8. James warns us from being deceived. Why are so many deceived by sin? Give examples.

9. God gives us every _____ and _____ gift. (17)
10. What “light” does God give us? (17)

11. What does James mean that with God, there is “no variation or shadow of turning”? (17)

12. How does the Christian being “a kind of firstfruits of His creatures” help us to overcome temptation? (18)

13. Remember: God promises to forgive us but does NOT remove the consequences of sin. Name some consequences of sin.

14. What are the blessings of overcoming temptation? (12)

15. What must the Christian do to be forgiven when they sin? (Acts 8:22; 1 John 1:9)