

1 Corinthians 10:1 – 11:1
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Temptation: Resisting Evil

- 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
- Being a _____ in Jesus doesn't remove the temptations we'll experience to set our hearts on other things.
- Setting our hearts on evil things is idolatry because we're putting something or someone _____ God in our lives.
- Jesus was tempted in three categories:
 - _____ – thinking/feeling that we need more to be complete
 - _____ – thinking/feeling that we must achieve to be successful
 - _____ – thinking/feeling that we need the approval of others to be whole

Idolatry: Participating in Lies

- 1 Corinthians 10:14-22
- "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?" (1 Corinthians 10:16)
- By the Holy Spirit "we are made able to _____ the peace, life, and joy of Jesus' own relationship to the Father"
(<https://www.missioalliance.org/at-the-core-of-the-gospel-participation-in-gods-own-life/>).

- Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit "in order that His own relationship to His Father may be _____ in us" (Karl Barth, Church Dogmatics, Vol. II/2, p. 780).

Purpose: Seeking the Good of Others

- 1 Corinthians 10:23 – 11:1
- Genesis 12:2-3
- God's people are blessed to be a _____.
- Seeking the good of _____ is our God-ordained, Christ-like purpose in life.

How will you respond to God's word today?

1. Where in your life do you feel the temptation to set your heart on something or someone other than Jesus?
2. Discuss the three A's of temptation. Are you able to match your answer to question #1 to one of these categories? Share your thoughts.
3. Read James 5:16 aloud. Have you experienced the reality described in this verse, namely, confessing your sin to another believer, praying together about it, and receiving some measure of healing? How did that experience feel to you? What kind of healing emerged for you?
4. What stood out to you in the part about our participation in Christ?
5. To what degree do you feel the purpose of "seeking the good of others" guides your life? How have you experienced freedom and life as you've adopted this purpose?
6. How might God be getting your attention?
7. What might God be saying to you?
8. What are you going to do about it?