

James 1 **Temptations & the Truth**
part 2 (or the truth about temptations)

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ch 1 Theme = Maturity and Suffering **Hebrews 2 : 9-10 & 16-18**

divers temptations (v 2) = 'precious trials' **1 Peter 1:7**
why ? answer : our prize = *crown of life* (v 12)

I. Temptations

A. heavenly - **Gen 22:1 John 6:44 & 12:32**

B. earthly

1. the flesh v 13 - 15

frequency

common

2. the devil - direct attacks, e.g. **Job** ch 1 & 2

rare

3. the world - the devil sets this world to tempt and attack your faith

common

The *trying of your faith* (v 3) is *from the Father* (v17) so He can give you *the crown of life* (v 12).

God only uses types 'A' or 'B2' or 'B3'.

God never uses 'B1' = *tempting with evil* (v 13).

v 15 our *lust* comes from a fallen spirit **James 4: 1, 2, 5**

II. the Truth = the Holy Bible (AV 1611)

v 17 *good*, **Heb 6:5** *perfect* - v 25 **Ps 19:7**

no variableness ~ immutable, **Ps 89:34, Ps 119 : 89, 152, 160**

v 18 We get regenerated by 'hearing' and 'receiving' v 21, **1 Cor 4:15 1 Pet 1:23 & v 9**

v 22 We get our rewards by 'hearing and doing'

v 27 **Job 29:11-16**

G O D

John 6:44 & 12:32

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p. power of the air
Ephesians 2:2

god of this world
2 Corinthians 4:4

p. of this world (3x)
John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11

Devil

the prince of the devils
Matt 9:34, 12:24; Mk 3:22