Temptation

by Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian Church

which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmi- of his own lust, and enticed," James 1:12-14. ties; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet the heartbreak of sin too well. Temptations come in many forms and kinds. While we may not be tempted by all of person in the least.

you will not desire it. What tempts you will be something temptation. that you want to have, or to do. That is why we are not

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for his will. when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which

without sin. Hebrews 4:15, "Tempted, but without sin bother us, but there is and will continue to be. We make will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that could be spoken of Jesus, but not of us." We have known a mistake if we try to ignore that which tempts us. The ye may be able to bear it," 1 Corinthians 10:13. The more you try not to think about a temptation the more Lord makes a way to escape and overcome the temptathem we sure are by some of them. What doesn't tempt temptation and acknowledge it to ourselves and to God. for what it is. you may really be a problem for someone else. Then Ignoring it will not make it go away. Prayer is our help as what is a bad temptation to you may not bother another we talk to the Lord and ask for his help. Filling our minds and what we believe. Jesus was tempted and has compasand hearts with God's Word instead of focusing on that sion on his children. Isn't it sad that God can forgive and Something that offends you will not tempt you for which bothers us will redirect our minds away from the help the fallen child, but man who struggles with tempta-

all tempted by the same thing, for we all have different tempted, the sin comes when we give in to the tempta- derstanding for himself, but is often unwilling to grant it wants and desires. We are in a constant battle in the spirit tion." None of us have withstood all the things that the to another person. The Lord said that if we would not for-

either we die, or the Lord returns. Until then we must we have been overcome by something, repent and tell the continue to fight against those things that tempt us to sin. Lord about it. He will forgive and bless as we seek to do

Some think that they are tempted more than anyone Temptations are something that we all know in this the Lord hath promised to them that love him. Let no else, but that is because they feel the hurt of what they life. All of us have faced them and will as long as we man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for are going through. Someone else may feel the same, but live. Even Jesus faced them just like us when he walked God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any all are tempted and knows his sorrow more than that of on earth in a body of flesh. For we have not an high priest man: But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away someone else. "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will It would be great if there were no temptations to not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but you find yourself thinking about it. We must face the tion although we may not always see it, or recognize it

Always remember that the Lord knows our hearts tions himself is often quick to judge and slow to forgive As someone said years ago, "There is no sin in being someone else? Of course he wants forgiveness and unto do that which is right and the battle will not end until evil one has put before us, even though we have tried. If give others then we would not be forgiven for our sins.

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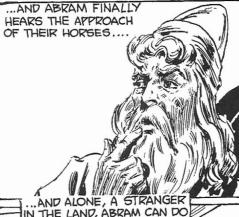
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