QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when you were able to overcome a

 temptation in your life. What helped you the most in overcoming

 that temptation?

2. Why do people make excuses not to obey God or not to trust God?

3. Read the following passages and note what the Bible says about

 resisting temptation:

 a) Psalm 119:11

b) I Corinthians 10:13

c) Galatians 5:16

d) Hebrews 2:18

e) Hebrews 12:1

f) James 4:7

g) I Peter 5:8-10

4. Temptation becomes sin when what two things come together?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to develop an action plan to overcome some area of habitual sin in my life.
* I am going to encourage another believer who is struggling with a habitual sin.
* I am going to James 4:7.

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James 1:13-18 Study Series #02

***How to Deal with Temptations***

**I. Introduction**

 A. The Alligator Snapping Turtle

 (See Genesis 3:6; Joshua 7:21; Proverbs 9:17; Proverbs 14:12)

 B. Trials from Without; Temptations from Within

 (See James 1:1-12; James 1:13-16; Matthew 4:1-11;

 Luke 4:1-4; Genesis 12:1-20; Deuteronomy 8:2; Exodus 17:3;

 Numbers 11:4-6; Numbers 14:4)

**II. How to Deal with Temptations**

 A. Don’t Make Excuses

 (See James 1:13; Genesis 3:12; John 15:22; Romans 1:20)

 B. Take Responsibility for Our Desires

 (See James 1:14; Luke 22:15; Philippians 3:19;

 II Thessalonians 3:10; Hebrews 13:4; Galatians 5:22-23)

 C. Do Not Give Sin an Opportunity

 (See James 1:15; Matthew 4:1; Mark 1:12; Luke 4:1-12;

 John 2:16; Hebrews 4:15; Romans 8:1; Psalm 37:4;

 Romans 13:14; Hebrews 12:1; II Samuel 11:14-25;

 II Samuel 11:15-19; II Samuel 13:21-22; II Samuel 18:1-15)

 D. Beware of Deception

 (See James 1:16; Deuteronomy 11:16; I Corinthians 15:33;

 Galatians 6:7; Hebrews 3:13)

 E. Acknowledge the Goodness of God

 (See James 1:17; Genesis 3:1-5; Matthew 4:2-4; Luke 4:2-4;

 Deuteronomy 6:10-15)

 F. Yield to the New Nature

 (See James 1:18; I John 3:9; John 3:1-7; John 3:6; I Peter 1:23;

 Proverbs 3:9)

**III. Conclusion**

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

**Passage of Study**

James 1:13-18

**13**Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.

**14**But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. **15**Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.

**16**Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

**17**Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

**18**In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.

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