



# TEMPTATION

GUARDING YOUR ASSUMPTIONS

LUKE 4:9-13

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## 1. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.9-13)



**9** And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, **10** for it is written, " 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' **11** and " 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.' " **12** And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.' " **13** And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time. (ESV)

## 2. Understand \_\_\_\_\_ (v.9)

## 3. Know God Wants You \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.10-11)

# Application Questions

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.*

1. Read **Psalm 19:13-14**. Why is the awareness and policing of the meditations of our hearts (v.14) so important when it comes to the temptation to commit presumptuous sins (v.13)?
2. Read **Romans 6:1-4**. What would you say to someone who, like the 18<sup>th</sup> century Empress of Russia, Catherine the Great, defiantly sins while saying, "The good Lord will forgive me, that's his job"?
3. Read **Romans 2:1-5**. What are some of the common presumptions on God's goodness today? In other words, what are some of the unbiblical things people do, while excusing themselves by thinking that God is too nice to hold them accountable for doing such things?
4. Read **1 Corinthians 10:13**. How does our mental Scripture-twisting during temptation make "the way of escape" harder to detect? What can you do to minimize this confusion?

## ***The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:***

Go to [ESV.org](http://ESV.org) (Reading Plans: Through the Bible) for schedule prompts.

### **April 28<sup>th</sup>**

2Sam.19-20 & Lk.21:20-38

### **April 29<sup>th</sup>**

2Sam.21-22 & Lk.22:1-30

### **April 30<sup>th</sup>**

2Sam.23-24 & Lk.22:31-53

### **May 1<sup>st</sup>**

1Kgs.1-2 & Lk.22:54-71

### **May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

1Kgs.3-5 & Lk.23:1-26

### **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

1Kgs.6-7 & Lk.23:27-38

### **May 4<sup>th</sup>**

1Kgs.8-9 & Lk.23:39-56

### **May 5<sup>th</sup>**

1Kgs.10-11 & Lk.24:1-35

*The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website ([FocalPointMinistries.org](http://FocalPointMinistries.org)).*

Msg. # 11-31 – **Sorting Out God's Orders From Our Opinions**

Msg. # 09-02 – **The Centrality of Scripture**

Msg. # 11-15 – **Making the Most of Daily Bible Study**

Msg. # 08-01 – **Realities Instead of Rituals**

Msg. # 12-19 – **A God in Control**

*Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.*

Fee, Gordon D. and Douglas Stuart. **How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth**. Zondervan, 1982.

Geisler, Norman and Ron Rhodes. **Correcting the Cults: Expert Responses to Scripture Twisting**. Baker Books, 2005.

House, H. Wayne. **Charts of Cults, Sects & Religious Movements**. Zondervan, 2000.

Kaiser, Walter C. and Moisés Silva. **An Introduction to Biblical Hermeneutics**. Zondervan, 1994.

Logos Research Systems. **Logos Bible Study Software**. ([www.Logos.com](http://www.Logos.com)).

MacArthur, John. **Anxious for Nothing: God Cares for the Cares of Your Soul**. Victor Books, 2006.

McDowell, Josh and Don Stewart. **Handbook of Today's Religions**. Thomas Nelson, 1996.

Ramm, Bernard. **Protestant Biblical Interpretation**. Baker Books, 1970.

Rhodes, Ron. **Handbook on Cults & New Religions: What Do They Believe?** Harvest House Publishers, 2005.

Sire, James W. **Scripture Twisting: Twenty Ways the Cults Misread the Bible**. InterVarsity Press, 1980.

Smith, Jerome H. **The New Treasury of Scripture Knowledge**. Thomas Nelson, 1992.

Stein, Robert H. **A Basic Guide to Interpreting the Bible: Playing By the Rules**. Baker Books, 1994.

Virkler, Henry A. **Hermeneutics: Principles and Processes of Biblical Interpretation**. Baker Books, 1981.

Welch, Edward. **Running Scared: Fear, Worry and the God of Rest**. New Growth Press, 2007.

Zuck, Roy B. **Basic Biblical Interpretation**. Victor Books, 1991.