

“Count it  
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A photograph of a red running track with white bleachers in the background. The track is curved and has yellow lane markings. The bleachers are made of white wooden slats on black metal frames. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

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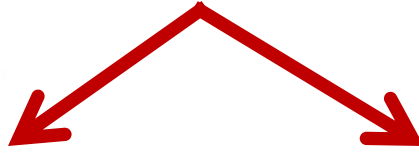
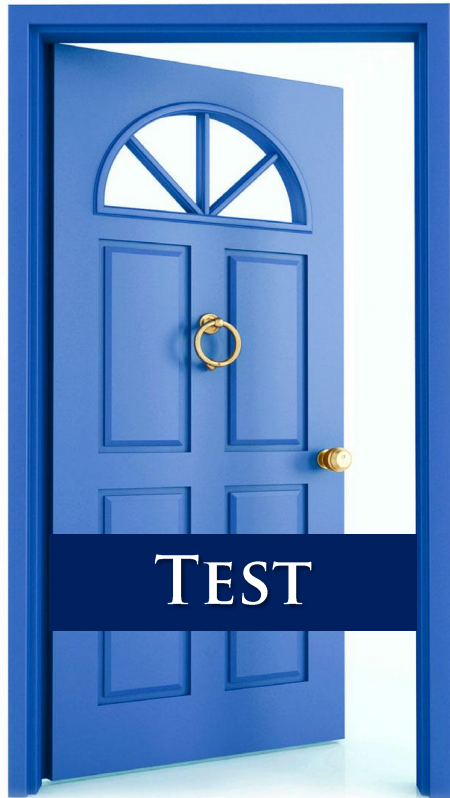


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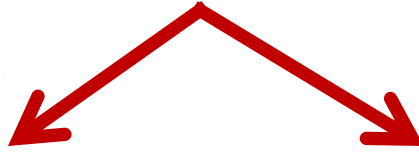
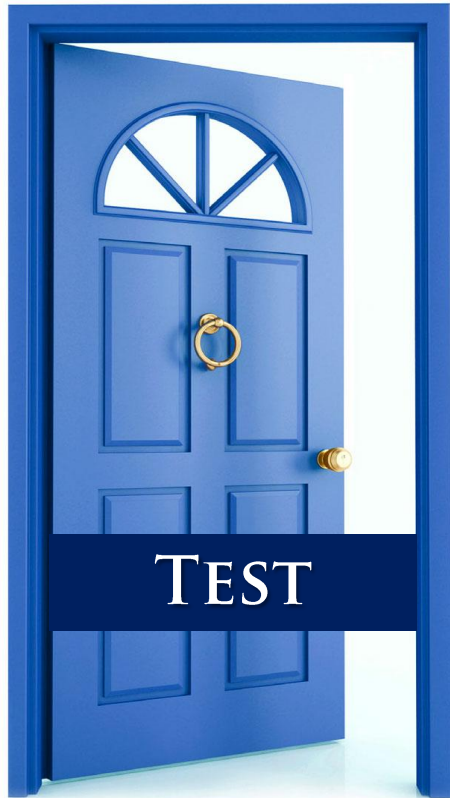




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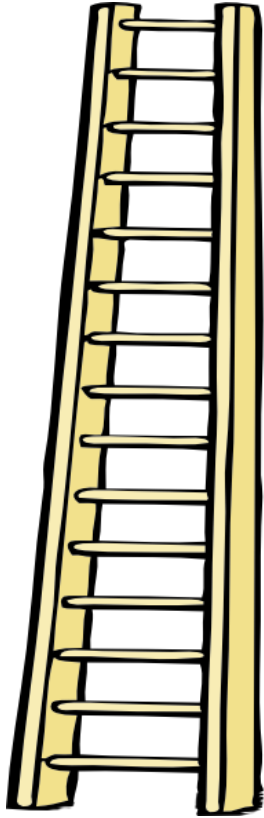
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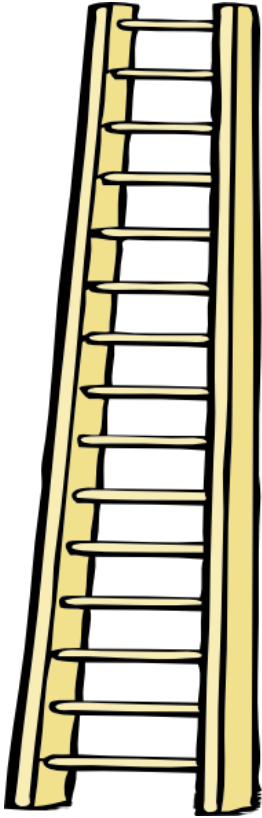


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<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup> Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.



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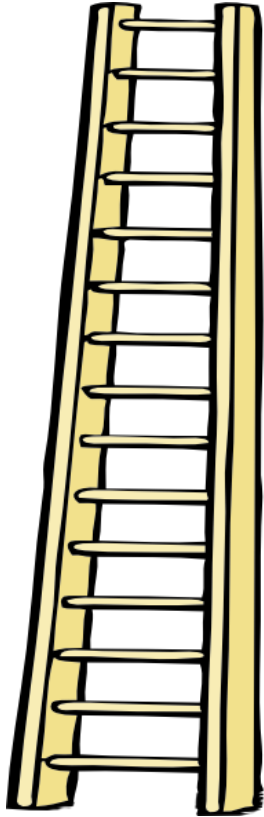
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<sup>3</sup> Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

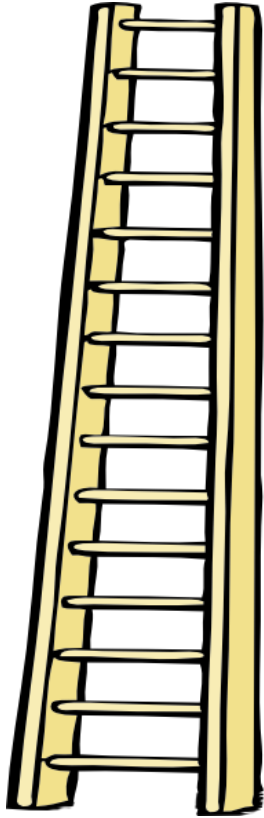
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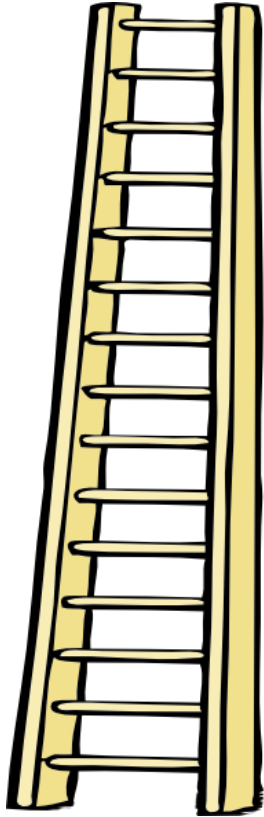


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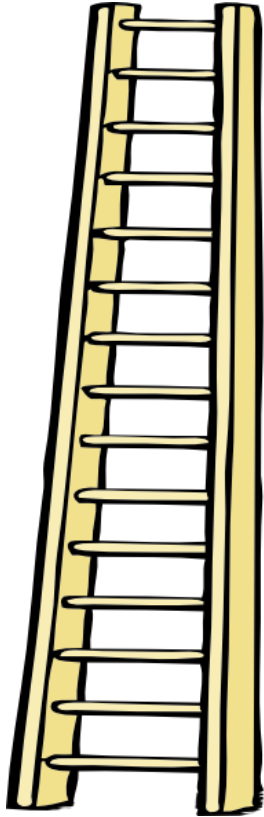
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<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you...



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<sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials...



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<sup>7</sup> so that the tested genuineness of your  
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found to result in praise and glory and  
honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.



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<sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory,  
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## **JAMES 1:12**

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.



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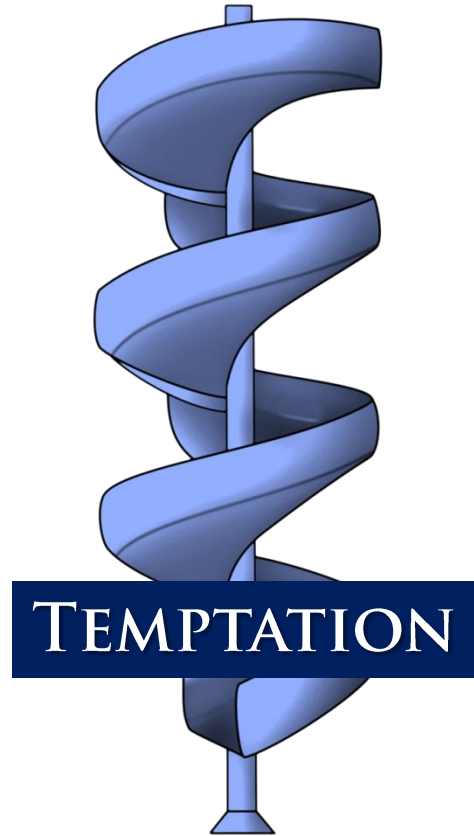
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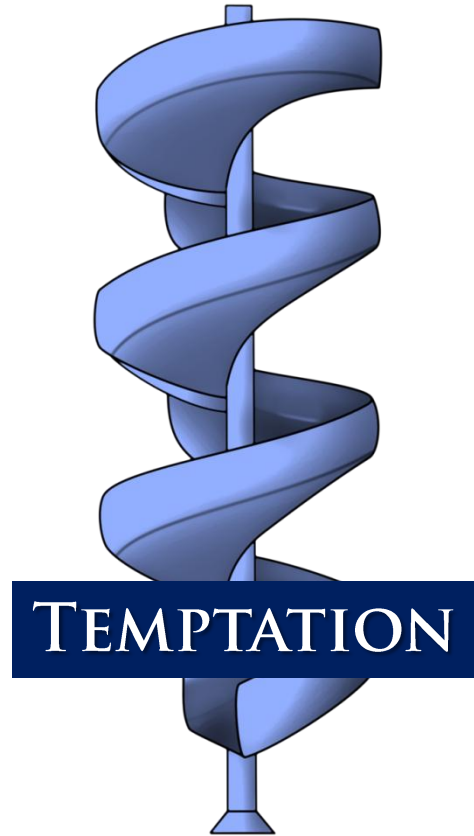
<sup>14</sup> But each person is **tempted** when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. <sup>15</sup> Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.



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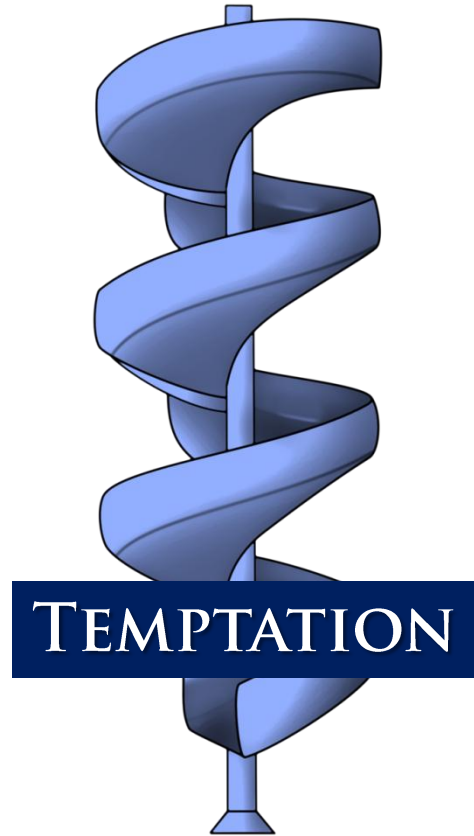


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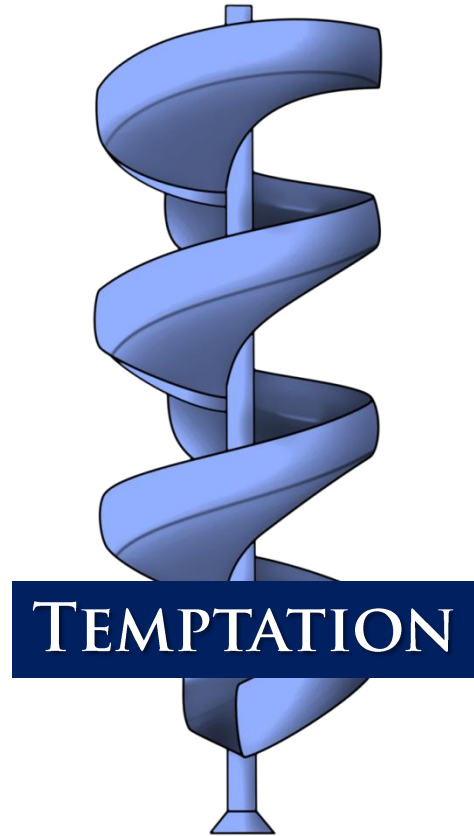
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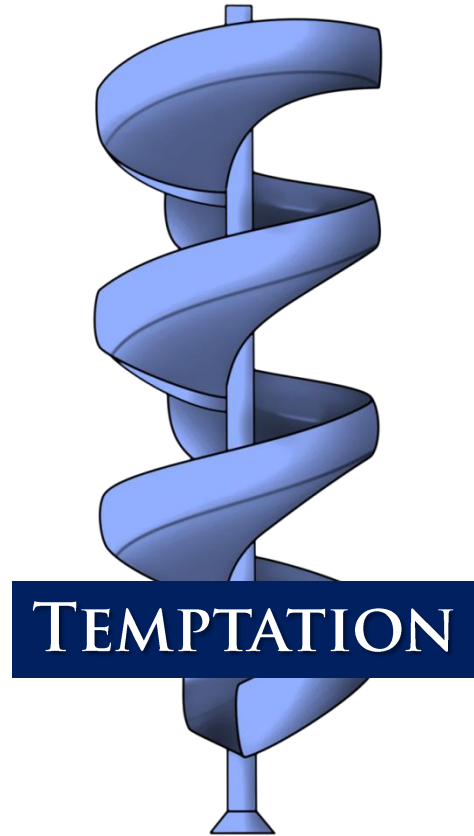
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## **EPHESIANS 4:26-27**

<sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun  
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opportunity to the devil.



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## **JAMES 1:16**

<sup>16</sup> Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers.





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To help us

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“Did God  
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<sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”



# GOD TO ABRAHAM

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“Take your son...  
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## GENESIS 22:1-2

<sup>1</sup> After these things God **tested** Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.”



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GENESIS 39:6-7

“Lie with me”





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<sup>9</sup> “How then can I do this great wickedness and **sin against God?**”



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<sup>2</sup> “And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, **testing** you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not.”



# DELILAH TO SAMSON

JUDGES 16:15-16



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“How can you  
say, ‘I love you,’  
when...?”



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## JUDGES 16:15-16

<sup>15</sup> “How can you say, ‘I love you,’ when your heart is not with me?”





# JOB

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“In all this Job  
did not sin  
with his lips”



# PAUL

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<sup>8</sup> For we do not want you to be unaware, brothers, of the affliction we experienced in Asia. For we were so utterly burdened beyond our strength that we despaired of life itself. <sup>9</sup> Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death.





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