Eisenhower Church of Christ

Three Things to Remember When Tempted

"No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation He will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it." (I Corinthians 10:13).

When I was baptized into Christ, God washed away all my past sins and gave me a new life. (Acts 22:16; Romans 6:4.) But baptism did not obliterate every inclination to think what I should not think. It did not tie my tongue from ever saying what I should not say. It did not destroy my ability to do things I should not do. How then can I follow through with the appeal I made to God when I became a Christian that said, "I do not want to be held captive to sin?" When tempted, I Corinthians 10:13 teaches me to remember...

I am not the only one. "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man." What I face is what humans face. My struggles are the same as other people's struggles. I am not the first—and I will not be the last—to fight what I fight. Fellow Christians are tempted the way I am tempted. Jesus Himself knows how it feels to be me. (Hebrews 4:15) I lie to myself with Satan's own propaganda when I believe that no one would understand my challenge. "Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in the faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world." (I Peter 5:8-9) I may be tempted, but I am not the only one.

I am not alone. "God is faithful". He is never the one tempting me to do wrong. (James 1:13). He never leaves me to fend for myself. (Hebrews 13:5). "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." (Psalm 46:1). "But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you and keep you from evil." (2 Thessalonians 3:3). The Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials. (2 Peter 2:9). One promise after another from God tells me that He does not leave me alone. Though I have not seen Him, I love Him. (I Peter 1:8).

I am not trapped. "He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation He will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it." How can I get good at seeing and seizing the way of escape? "I have stored up Your word in my heart, that I might not sin against You." (Psalm 19:11). I listen to God by reading my Bible regularly, and then in prayer I tell Him every day that in my heart of hearts I do not want to sin against Him. (Matthew 6:13). If I will

be vigilant, God will give me the guts to do the right thing. He will give me the wisdom to walk away. He will position others beside me who are determined to do the right thing. He may grant new circumstances. He will strengthen me to endure. I might be tempted, but I am not trapped.

I am not the only one. I am not alone. I am not trapped. There is hope for me!

Danny Boggs Neosho, MO

Sympathy

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Ronnie Lane in the loss of his mother Saturday night, February 27th. A graveside service was held Tuesday, March 1st in Coleman, TX. Ronnie conducted the service. Keep him and his family in your prayers.

Prayer Request

Craig Wesson tore the ACL in one of his knees during a sporting activity. Craig's surgery to repair it was scheduled for Thursday, March 3rd in Dallas. Keep Craig in your prayers that all will go well.

Caimee Mooney (Kathy & Jon's baby daughter) was taken to the MCH emergency room Monday night, February 29th, with a high temperature and ear infection.

Concerns Update

Todd Drake's spinal surgery went well. The doctor said that when it heals, he will be able to resume normal activities. He was send home with some pain medication.

Karlita Massie received a good report from the tests done last week. She is Devida's niece who lives in Ohio.

Glenna McCarty received some medicine to help treat her arthritis. She has a doctor's appointment March 11th.

Toya Zambelli received a positive a report from her doctors at MD Anderson.

Prayer List

Lee Roy Bell; Susan Bosse; Mack Bradford; Betty Branson; Bobbie Braun; Neva Carrigan; Steve Chavez; Dayton Dennard; James & Joyce Drake; Todd Drake; John Ford; Bill Gibbons; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Linda Horton; Bobby Hunt; Bryan Jernigan; Helen Jones; Susan Lee; Tracy Leeth; Connie Lowe; Jill McAffee; Anna McGlothlin; Elder McCarty; Jack McCarty; Anna McGlothlin; Patty Montgomery; Juan & Estella Morolez; Julie Munoz; Laura Olivas; Connie Phelps; Earlene Poses; Elvia Ruckman; Montrella Ruffner; Andrew Schwarz; Christa Bella Sellers; Brenda Simmons; Charles Simmons; Lisa Wells; Ann Wilson; Toya Zambelli

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Mildred Bell; Neva Carrigan; Anna Groves; Roberta Hamil; Winford Hambright; Janice Laminack; Dusty and Kathy Marshall, Janelle Shirley, Wilma Squire and Lester Whisenant.

Events

The "STF" group #1 will meet in the annex today for a luncheon. Our visitors are invited.

Youth

Bible Quiz Question...

How many men did a Roman Centurion command?

Last Week's Bible Quiz answer...

Paul wrote four letters from prison.

FYI

"In Search of the Lord's Way" is having some trouble with their broadcast at the 7:30 a.m. time slot on CBS - Channel 7.

Also, tune in to hear a message from the Brown Trail Church of Christ on the "Speaking the Truth in Love" program every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on ABC.

Office News

The Tipton Children's Home will be here March 8th-10th for their food drive. They are requesting: Assorted Cereal, Assorted Soup, Ritz Crackers, Assorted Spices, Tomato Sauce, Vegetable Oil, Microwave Popcorn, Enchilada Sauce, Cough Drops, Toilet Bowl Cleaner and Disinfectant spray.

Food for Thought

An educated fool is a bigger one than an ignorant one.

Why I Attend the Sunday Evening Services...

- 1. I want to go, and I am wanted.
- 2. I need to go, and I am needed.
- 3. I had rather be there than anywhere else.
- 4. My children are watching me and will follow my example.
- 5. My soul is strengthened by the teachings.
- 6. My heart is warmed by the spiritual songs.
- 7. I am better prepared to meet in discussion.
- 8. I hunger and thirst after righteousness.

Bulletin Digest

March 6, 2016	A.M.	P.M.
Announcements	Jeff Wesson	Jeff Wesson
Song Leader	Rudy Ochoa	Jacob Carson
Sermon	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Opening Prayer	Jeff Wesson	Jeff Wesson
Scripture	Dex Dennard	Josh Weakland
Second Prayer	Scot Straw	Bill Brown
Closing Prayer	Trinidad Wood	Charles Wood

Lord's Supper

West... Bill Tolbert Josh Wells

John Carroll Communion Richard Siler (In Library)

East... Larry May

Dylan Straw

Isaiah Armendarez

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Jeff Wesson 556-5547; *Deacon:* Richard Siler 362-1392; *Pulpit:* John Wood 405-7444; *Table:* Josh Wells 770-6753; *Song Leaders:* Denny Wilson 325-340-2291; *Recording Duties:* Chris Butler 362-7486; *Collections:* Tony Marrs 553-7349

Sunday AM

"A Jealous God" (Exodus 34:10-14)

Sunday PM

"Taming the Tongue" (James 3:1-12)

Our Records

Bible Class... 87 Morning Worship...142 Evening Worship...75 Wednesday...71 Contribution...\$6,133.00