

FIREPROOF YOUR RELATIONSHIPS

“Breaking Free From Relational Parasites”

1 Corinthians 10:11-13 (Pew Bible Page 811)

PARASITES: Anything that latches on to you or your partner
and sucks the life out of your relationships

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THE GREATEST CHALLENGE WE FACE IS TEMPTATION

“Every temptation that has come your way is the kind that normally comes to people. But God keeps his promise and he will not allow you to be tempted beyond your power to resist: at the time you are tempted he will give you strength to endure it and so provide you with a way out.” 1 Corinthians 10:13 (TEV)

1. Every temptation is FACED BY OTHERS
2. Every temptation you're ABLE TO RESIST
3. Every temptation has a WAY OF ESCAPE

THREE KINDS OF TEMPTATIONS

“For everything in the world—the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boastings of what he has and does—comes not from the Father but from the world.” 1 John 2:16

1. CRAVINGS of our bodies
2. LUST of the eyes
3. PRIDE of our hearts

THE STORY OF JESUS' TEMPTATIONS LUKE 4:1-13

1. The cravings of the body: *“Turn this stone to bread”*
Jesus answered *“Man does not live by bread alone”* Vs 4
2. The lust of the eyes: *“All the kingdoms of the world.”*
Jesus answered, *“Worship the LORD your God and serve Him only”* Vs 8
3. The pride of the heart: *“Throw yourself down...the angels will guard you carefully”*
Jesus answered: *Do not put the LORD your God to the test”* Vs 12

THE TEMPTATIONS OF EVE

1. Women struggle with temptations in RELATIONSHIPS
"Your desire will be for your husband and he will rule over you." Genesis 3:16
The right desire is for GOD
2. God has rules for dating His daughters: THE BIBLE

BREAKING FREE FROM TEMPTATIONS AND PARASITES

1. PRAY
"Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil..."
2. Make a covenant with YOURSELF
"I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl" Job 31:1
3. Look for a WAYOUT
1 Corinthians 10:13
4. Change your THOUGHTS
"We take every thought captive to make it obedient to Christ." 2 Corinthians 10:5
Philippians 4:8
5. REMOVE yourself
"Flee from evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace." 2 Timothy 2:22
6. EVALUATE when you fall down
Romans 7, 1 John 1:10
7. ASK FORGIVENESS, commit and start again
1 John 1:9

LOVE DARE CHALLENGE

Is there a parasite from which you need to break free?

Circle the steps you will begin practicing this week