

A close-up photograph of a stack of several chocolate chip cookies. The cookies are golden-brown with visible dark chocolate chips. They are stacked on a dark, textured wooden surface. The background is softly blurred, showing more of the wooden surface and the stack of cookies.

# 4 Facts About Temptation

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## 4 Facts About Temptation:

- Temptation Is Always Present:
- Temptation – “to be seduced or enticed to evil.”
- **James 1:13a** – Temptation is a *when* not an *if*.
- So I must be prepared and be aware. **1 Peter 5:8**

## 4 Facts About Temptation:

- **Temptation Is Never God Prompted:**
  - James is quick to remind us that temptation is *not* from God. **V.13b**
  - There is a difference between a “test” and “temptation.”
  - Temptation comes from within. **V.14**

## 4 Facts About Temptation:

### ➤ Temptation Follows a Consistent Pattern: **vv.14-15**

➤ “Each one is tempted...”

➤ “When he is carried away...”

➤ “Enticed by his own lust...”

➤ “Gives birth to sin...”

**Hebrews 11:25**

## 4 Facts About Temptation:

- **Temptation Thrives on Wrong Thinking: v.16**
  - **“Do not be deceived...”**
  - **We need to be warned:**
    - **Satan is crafty.**  
**2 Corinthians 11:14**
    - **And we are easily fooled.**  
**Proverbs 16:2**

## 4 Facts About Temptation:

- **Gaining Victory Over Temptation:**
  - **Dwell on the good. V.17**
  - **Live the truth. vv.18-21**
    - **We have been redeemed, born into a new life. V.18**
    - **That blessing carries the responsibility to live according to God's Word. vv.19-21**



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,

HE IS A NEW CREATION.

The old has passed away; behold,

the new has come.



2 COR 5:17