

DEALING WITH TEMPTATION

GOD ALLOWS TEMPTATION

- Christians are not shielded from temptation – Jas. 1:12-15; 4:7
- God allows us to be tempted *within limits*
 - God actively filters temptation for His people – 1 Cor. 10:13
 - God's assurances are only there for those who desire victory – 2 Tim. 2:22; Mt. 6:13; Rom. 13:14

KNOW
HOW
SATAN
WORKS

GENESIS
3:1-6

1. Identify and stimulate a desire within us – Gen. 3:1; Mt. 4:2-3
2. Create doubt in God's care and provision – Gen. 3:4-5; Mt. 4:5-7
3. Deceive
 - Satan is always lying, even when what he says contains truth – Gen. 3:4; Mt. 4:8-9
 - Everything Satan offers is intended to deceive, because that is who he is – Jn. 8:44
4. Satan's methods are predicable and can be defeated – Gen. 3:6; Rom. 6:12-14

REFUSE TO LET
SATAN
INTIMIDATE YOU

- Do not be demoralized by temptation – Lk. 4:13
- Remember that God is greater than Satan – 1 Jn. 4:4; Heb. 2:14-18; Rom. 6:17
- Seek God's help with confidence – Heb. 4:14-16