TEMPTATION

The Lord's Prayer

And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the Glory forever. Amen

Two Clauses found at the end of the Lord's Prayer

First Clause is "Lead us not into temptation"

James' Teaching on Temptation

James 1:1-4 God <u>cannot</u> be tempted by evil The Creek word for temptation can mean to

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which means to <u>entice to evil</u> to do wrong or it can mean to <u>test.</u>

James' Teaching on Temptation

Two primary words for the Devil a. Devil is the <u>accuser</u> of the brethren b. Satan is the <u>slanderer</u> I John 2:16 "The lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life"

The Purpose of Being Tested

We are tested in life so that we will grow stronger, better equipped.
The various trials may include moral tests, health tests, business tests, family tests.
God retests us

The Second Clause I Corinthians 10:13 Deliver us from evil- a prayer of protection No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

Steps To Take To Get Out Of The Trap

We have to be <u>willing</u> Example of the man who was by the pool of Bethesda (John 5:1-15) You have to <u>name</u> the trap the evil that you're in Then you have to <u>say</u> it (James 5:16)

Steps To Take To Get Out Of The Trap

You trade it off

There has to be something higher and above and sweeter and more appealing than that evil that has caught you

The Doxology or Benediction to the Lord's Prayer

The Two Doors we must enter into at the end of this prayer
1.The Door of <u>Mine</u> is the Kingdom
2. The Door of <u>Thine</u> is the Kingdom

How to Make the Whole Kingdom HIS Taking up the cross means you are either dead or are dying. If we can pray this prayer we've got a live worth living Matthew 6:13 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.