



# ***LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY***

## **Resist Your Sinful Desires**

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*“And do not cause us to be tempted.” (Luke 11:4)*

**Introduction:** We began this series by noticing the simple request given to Jesus by His apostles: “Teach us to pray.” As we have studied this series we have considered our relationship to God, our desire to keep His name holy and reverent, the Lord’s will for His church, our daily needs, and the power of forgiveness. In this lesson we are going to talk about avoiding evil and trusting God to deliver us from temptation. Let’s study together . . . .

### Discussion:

#### ***I. We Need Protection***

- A. Satan’s presence is real.  
- **Isaiah 14:1-23, Ezekiel 28:11-19, Revelation 12:4-9, Genesis 3:4-14,**
- B. Satan’s tactics are cruel.  
- **Matthew 25:41, II Peter 2:4, Revelation 9:1-11, I Corinthians 10:1-6**
- C. Satan’s attack is quick.  
- **Matthew 6:13, I Peter 5:8-9, I John 2:16, II Corinthians 11:14**
- D. Satan’s advances can be routed.  
- **I Corinthians 10:13, Matthew 4:1-11, James 5:16, I Thessalonians 5:17**
- E. Satan’s work must be taken seriously.  
- **James 1:13-14, Jeremiah 17:9, Romans 3:23, I Corinthians 10:12-13, I John 4:4**

#### ***II. We Need Providential Assistance***

- A. God can protect us (**John 17:15, James 1:2-12, Psalm 20:1, Psalm 59:1**).
- B. God can lead us (**Matthew 6:13, Matthew 4:1, Genesis 22, Psalm 51**).
- C. God can strengthen us (**I Timothy 4:7, James 5:11, Philippians 4:13, Isaiah 40:31**).
- D. God can awaken us (**James 1:2-4, Matthew 5:1-12, Luke 4:13, John 6:37, Luke 15:20**).
- E. God can deliver us (**II Corinthians 1:10, Galatians 1:4, Daniel 3:17, II Peter 3:9**).

#### ***III. Prayer 101 = Back To The Basics***

- A. Pride cannot help our prayers.  
- **Proverbs 16:18, I John 2:16, Proverbs 3:34, James 4:6**
- B. Selfishness cannot help our prayers.  
- **Matthew 6:13, I Timothy 2:1, James 5:16, Matthew 26:36-42**

**Conclusion:** I hope this series has helped you to become closer to God in your Christian walk. God wants us to resist evil and our sinful desires. He hopes that we will trust Him to deliver us from temptation. Are you ready to commune with God? Do you need to be encouraged? Can we pray with you and for you? Let God lift you up today!!!

***WORD OF THE DAY = “Prayer”***