

Resisting Temptation

Joshua's challenge to the Israelites (Josh. 23:1-9)

- I. Joshua assembles the leaders of Israel (Josh. 23:1-2)
- II. _____ what God has done for you (Josh. 23:3)
Key - Each victory was won because God was on your side and _____ the battle for you
- III. _____ the work (Josh. 23:4-5)
 - A. Drive the rest of your _____ from the land
 - B. _____ God to give you victory
- IV. The key to victory
 - A. _____ God's Word (Josh. 23:6)
 - B. Do not associate with the _____ (Josh. 23:7a)
 - C. Do not _____ their gods (Josh. 23:7b)
 - D. Remian _____ to God (Josh. 23:8)
 - E. _____ God not the world (Josh. 23:9-11)

Joshua's challenge to the Israelites (Josh. 23:12-16)

- I. If you disobey:
 - A. God will not drive out your _____ (Josh. 23:12)
 - B. God will use you enemies to _____ you (Josh. 23:13a)
 - C. God will _____ you from the land (Josh. 23:13b)
 - D. The choice for Israel was simple – _____ God or _____ the people of the land
- II. The _____ of God (Josh. 23:14-16)
 - A. God has kept every _____ He made to you (Josh. 23:14)
 - B. Just as God kept all the good promises, He will keep His promise to punish your _____ (Josh. 23:15)
 - C. Joshua's plea for _____ (Josh. 23:14)

Questions to Ponder

- I. Do you _____ what God has done for you?
- II. Do you _____ God's promises? (Promises of blessings and disciple)
- III. Do you understand the _____ of temptation?
 - A. Three facts about temptation (James 1:13-15)

1. Fact #1 – God cannot _____ be tempted by evil (James 1:13a)
 2. Fact #2 – God _____ tempt anyone (James 1:13b)
 3. Fact #3 – Temptation comes from our _____ (James 1:14-15)
- B. Three categories of temptation (1 John 2:15-16)
1. Lust of the Flesh - _____ the natural desires God has given us (hunger, thirst, weariness, sex, etc.) to fulfill our sinful desires
 2. Lust of the Eyes – _____ visual (Beauty, money, entertainment {T.V. or Movies},) and intellectual pursuits (Education and false religion) which are contrary to God and His Word
 3. Pride of Life
 - a. We focus on trying to look Christian to _____ others
 - b. We think we can do _____ than God
- IV. Do you understand the _____ of giving into temptation?
- V. Do you know how to stay _____ through temptation? (James 1:16-18)
 - A. _____ God
 - B. _____ to God
 - C. Use God's _____
- VI. What temptations cause you _____?