



"Apps for Life"  
A Study of James

James 1:13-18

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III. The Temptation App: Dealing with Desire (Jas 1:13-18)

A. Be aware of the Source of temptation (v.13-14)

1. Doesn't come from God (v.13)
2. Does come from man: the selfishness of man (v.14)
3. Does come from Satan : he is a tempter (Gen 3; Matt 4)

B. Be aware of the pattern of temptation (v.14-15)

1. Our selfish desires tempt us: draw us away from what is right (v.14)
2. Our selfish desires entice us: bait us so as to trap us (v. 14)
3. Our selfish desires produce sin: rebellion to God (v.15)
4. Our sin produces damage : unhealthy consequences (v.15)

C. Be aware of the answer to desire (v.16-18)

1. Don't be tricked : think right (v.16)
  - a). Live in reality : your choices matter (Rom 6:13)
2. Remember the goodness of God: be inspired (v.17)
  - a). Choose who you will love : self or God (I Jn 5:3)
3. Remember the power of God's word: call on Him (v.18)
  - a). God will give the power to escape (I Cor 10:11-13)