

Six Temptations Men Face

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Message Truth:

Too many American families are in crisis - particularly in the church. Too often the problem in Christian homes is the failure of Christian men. Dad, children who are raised in genuine Christian homes will increasingly experience an advantage in society and in their personal relationships over their counterparts who are reared in dysfunctional families. Godly families also bear witness to the reality of God's truth in a society that increasingly is seeking genuine Christian examples. Today we will explain six common temptations which men face and must learn to resist in order to build families that pass the test of time.

Message Text:

¹³ No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.
I Corinthians 10:13

Dads, place a check in the square next to the temptation or temptations that you feel you are the most susceptible to. Wives, place a check in the square next to the temptation or temptations which you feel your husband is susceptible to.

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¹⁷ To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat of it,' 'Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. ¹⁸ It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. ¹⁹ By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."
Genesis 3:17-19

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¹ 'I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl.
Job 31:1

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Most men conceal some secret ambition that competes with a full surrender to the Lordship of Christ.

④ M _____ and D _____

²⁴ "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.
Matthew 6:24

¹Patrick M. Morley, *What Husbands Wish Their Wives Knew About Men*, (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1998)

Biblical Counsel About Debt Found in the Bible

- ⁷ *The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.* Proverbs 22:7
- ¹⁵ *He who puts up security for another will surely suffer, but whoever refuses to strike hands in pledge is safe.* Proverbs 11:15
- ¹⁸ *A man lacking in judgment strikes hands in pledge and puts up security for his neighbor.* Proverbs 17:18
- ²⁶ *Do not be a man who strikes hands in pledge or puts up security for debts; ²⁷ if you lack the means to pay, your very bed will be snatched from under you.* Proverbs 22:26-27
- ⁸ *Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another . . .* Romans 13:8

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¹¹ . . . ***I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.*** ¹² *I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.* ¹³ *I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.* Philippians 4:11-13 (NASB)

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²³ *A man's pride brings him low, but a man of lowly spirit gains honor.* Proverbs 29:23

¹¹ *The eyes of the arrogant man will be humbled and the pride of men brought low; the LORD alone will be exalted in that day.* Isaiah 2:11