

PRAYERS THAT REALLY WORK



THE TRUTH ABOUT TESTING

Matthew 6:13

Introduction: Does God ever tempt us? Before you answer that question too quickly, you might want to consider the portion of the model prayer we are going to examine today. In this final study on prayer, we are going to explore the meaning of the request: “And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.”

I. The Conflict: “Does God ever tempt us?” (Matthew 4:1 vs. James 1:13-14)

II. The Resolution

A. The Meaning of “Temptation”

B. The Meaning of “Test”

C. The Word “Peirasmos” (James 1:2; 13-14)

III. The Instruction (Matthew 6:13)

A. Pray for Exemption from _____ (“Do not lead us into temptation...”)

1. Exemption from _____ (Psalm 7:1-2)

2. Exemption from _____ (Psalm 22:19-21)

3. Exemption from _____ (Psalm 33:18-19)

4. Exemption from _____ (Psalm 34:4)

B. Pray for _____ Through Problems (“Deliver us from evil...”)

When tested, remember...

1. Tests do not take _____ by _____.

2. Tests are evidence of God’s _____ for _____.

3. Tests are _____, but God’s _____ is forever.

Conclusion:

