

Review / Introduction:

**I. The Nature and Significance of Temptation...**

A. Sin arises when we are tempted...

B. God never tempts men to do evil... *James 1:13*

C. God allows temptation for His glory and our good... *James 1:2ff cf. I Peter 1:6ff...*

Observations: 1. It is common to man and never more than we can bear...

2. It is for the maturing of our faith...

D. The Christian is to be victorious...

E. Five Ways God tests us...

1. A call to live out of extraordinary faith...

2. To make great sacrifices...

3. Through adversity and affliction...

4. By withholding desires and delaying hope... *Psalm 37:4; 145:19; 13:19 cf. Deuteronomy 8:2*

5. By granting our desires...

**II. The Rightness of Praying This Petition...**

A. God has made us sensible...

B. Christ's holy example... *Hebrews 5:7 with Matthew 26:39*

C. God's will for us... *Psalm 50:15*

**III. The Proper Attitude for Praying the Petition**

*We must "watch and pray..." Matthew 26:41*

A. A settled Awareness of our weakness

B. A proper knowledge of the power and intent of our enemies...

C. A holy fear and resolve to our Father's will...

D. In the exercise of faith, which rests upon...

1. The promises of God... *Psalm 81:7; 91:15; 107:6; Zechariah 13:9; Jeremiah 33:1-3; I Peter 5:7*

2. The intercession of Christ...

3. The example of God's people...

Application: