



## Teach Us to Pray – “Lead Us Not Into Temptation”

Matthew 6:13

We need to persistently pray for righteous paths and divine protection.

- A trial is meant to develop you, but a temptation is meant to destroy you.
- Often our greatest temptations come within the trials that God allows in our lives.
- We’re praying for God to empower us to pass safely through the testing of our faith.

### Scriptural Thoughts for Application

- To truly follow means we need to focus on the one leading us. (Hebrews. 4:14-16, 12:1-3)
- Desire wrapped in deception leads to disobedience and ends in destruction. (Colossians 2:8; Ephesians 6:10-18)
- God’s priority isn’t to make us happy, it’s to make us holy. (James 1:2-4; Galatians 2:20)
- Jesus invites us to walk ahead into the darkness and discover that it, too, belongs to God. (Matthew 16:18-19, 28:18-20)

### Memory Verse:

“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.” - Matthew 6:13 (ESV)

**Other Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 10:13; Luke 11:4, 22:40; James 1:13-18; 1 Peter 4:12; 2 Peter 2:9; 1 Timothy 6:9; Galatians 5:16; Hebrews 2:18; Psalm 119:11

### Further Study:

**Read:** Matthew 6:9-13 in your group or with at least one other person.

1. Have someone read it while everyone reads along.
2. Have someone else read it while everyone else listens.
3. Have someone recount the text from memory in their own words.

### Discuss:

1. What does the passage reveal about God?
2. What does the passage reveal about humanity?

### Act:

1. If this passage is from God, what should change about how you live?
2. Who needs to hear the truth of this Scripture that you can share it with this week? Identify a time this week when you might have the opportunity to share with them.