

Persons Tempting Persons

1. What is 'Satan's fifth method of leading people into sin?

"She also _____ to her husband with her, and he ate."

(Genesis 3:6)

NOTE: Satan doesn't always tempt people directly. More often than not, he uses people to tempt other people. Thus, when Satan wanted to bring ruin upon Joseph, he used Potiphar's wife as his instrument. Sadly, human beings today have become Satan's foot soldiers to lead others into sin.

2. **How only can we defeat Satan when he tempts us to accept his delusions?**

"It is _____, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every _____ that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

(Matthew 4:4)

3. **Why will the majority of human beings be lost at last?**

"... because they did not receive the love of the _____, that they might be saved. And for this reason God will send them strong delusion that they should believe the _____, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the _____ but had pleasure in unrighteousness." (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12)

CRACKING the GENESIS CODE



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Cracking the Genesis Code Lecture #08 "The Genuine and the Counterfeit"

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Matthew 24:23, 24	Psalms 91:1, 2, 11, 12	Genesis 39:9
Matthew 24:5	2 Timothy 4:2-4	2 Samuel 11:2
Genesis 2:15-17	2 Peter 3:15-17	2 Corinthians 5:7
Genesis 3:13	Romans 3:28	Hebrews 11
2 Corinthians 11:3	Romans 5:20	Genesis 3:6
Revelation 2:9	Romans 6:14	1 Timothy 2:14
Ephesians 6:11	Genesis 3:5	Matthew 10:34-37
Genesis 3:1	Romans 12:9	1 Peter 1:22
John 6:2, 66	Romans 13:10	Matthew 4:4
2 Thessalonians 2:9	1 John 5:3	2 Thessalonians 2:10-12
Acts 2:22	Acts 5:32	John 17:17
Matthew 7:22, 23	John 14:15-16	
Genesis 3:1	Isaiah 8:19, 20	
Matthew 4:3, 4	Genesis 3:6	
Matthew 4:6	Judges 14:2, 3	

NOTE: Satan's fourth method of conquest is to lead us to obey our senses rather than the Word of God. Notice how Eve's eyes, ears, touch and taste are involved in the temptation.

2. What led to Sampson's sad fall?

"So he went up and told his father and mother, saying, 'I have _____ a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines; now therefore, get her for me as a wife.' Then his father and mother said to him, 'Is there no woman among the daughters of your brethren, or among all my people, that you must go and get a wife from the uncircumcised Philistines?' And Samson said to his father, 'Get her for me, for she _____ me well.'" (Judges 14:2, 3)

3. What ethical standard guided Joseph when Potiphar's wife attempted to seduce him?

"How then can I do this great _____, and _____ against God?" (Genesis 39:9)

NOTE: Joseph knew that there was a commandment which states: "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Though Potiphar's wife was beautiful and her words were sweet, Joseph could not be enticed because the standard of his life was the law of God, not his ears nor his eyes.

The Bible is filled with examples of characters who chose to obey by faith the Word of God rather than to follow the testimony of their senses (see, for example, Hebrews 11).

4. What led king David to commit the horrendous sins of adultery and murder? "And from the roof he _____ a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to _____." (2 Samuel 11:2)

5. Rather than following the testimony of their senses, what should guide Christians in their ethical decisions?

"For we walk by _____, not by _____." (2 Corinthians 5:7)

8. Can the voice of the Holy Spirit be disconnected from the written Word of God?
“And take the helmet of salvation, and the _____ of the Spirit, which is the _____ of God. . . .” (Ephesians 6:17)

9. John 16:13 describes the Holy Spirit as “the Spirit of truth.” What is truth?
“Sanctify them by Your truth. Your _____ is truth.” (John 17:17)

10. Can we trust our heart to lead us to the truth?
“He who trusts in his own heart is a _____ . . . The heart is _____ above all things, and desperately wicked; Who can know it?” (Proverbs 23:26; Jeremiah 17:9)

11. Can we trust voices from the occult to give us reliable information?
“And when they say to you, “Seek those who are mediums and wizards, who _____ and mutter, should not a people seek their _____? Should they seek the dead on behalf of the living? To the _____ and to the testimony, If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no _____ in them.” (Isaiah 8:19, 20)

NOTE: Some people try to acquire guidance in life by consulting the spirits of the dead. God openly condemns this method of acquiring information! The Word of God is the only reliable source of truth.

Trust in the Testimony of our Senses

1. How were Eve’s senses involved in her temptation and fall?
“So when the woman _____ that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the _____, and a tree desirable to make one wise she _____ of its fruit and ate.” (Genesis 3:6)

“The Genuine and the Counterfeit”

Lecture #08

The Original Test

1. Read the creation story in Genesis 1:1-31 and 2:21-24. Did Adam or Eve actually see God create anything? _____

2. How, did God test the loyalty of Adam and Eve?

“And the LORD God _____ the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not _____, for in the day that you eat of it you shall _____ die” (Genesis 2:16-17)

*NOTE: Adam and Eve had been created by God and they now needed to **choose** to obey their Creator. God’s command was clear and **simple** and Adam and Eve **understood** it (Genesis 3:1-3). It was a **small** test and easy to obey. God did not explain the **reason** why he forbade them from eating of this particular tree though He did explain what the **consequences** would be if they did. God simply wanted Adam and Eve to demonstrate their trust in His word by **obeying it!***

Satan’s Methods of Warfare

1. With what Words did Eve attempt to justify her choice of eating from the tree?

“The Woman said, “The serpent _____ me, and I ate.” “ (Genesis 3:13)

NOTE: The apostle Paul explains that the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness. (2 Corinthians 11:3). Several things come to mind when we think of the word “deception.” 1) In order for deception to be successful it must make the counterfeit appear as closely possible to the genuine. 2) The counterfeit always comes after the genuine in time. 3) The only way to detect the counterfeit is to compare it with the genuine. That is to say, only by knowing the truth, can we detect error!

2. **How does Revelation 12:9 describe Satan's battle plan?**

"So the great dragon was cast out; that serpent of old, called the Devil and, Satan, who _____; the whole world; he was cast to the earth and his angels were cast out with him." **(Revelation 12:9)**

3. **How does the apostle Paul compare Satan's method of deception with that of some fraudulent apostles of his day?**

"For such are false apostles, _____ workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan himself _____ himself into an angel of _____."
(2 Corinthians 11:13, 14)

NOTE: Satan is like a chameleon—he blends in. In the Bible he is compared to a scorpion which hides in the sand and inadvertently lifts its tail to sting the unwary traveller. He is also compared to a serpent. Serpents are known to be sly, slithery, smooth, cunning, silently moving through the brush.

4. **What will Satan do at the very end of time to deceive, if possible, the very elect?**

"Then if anyone says to you _____, here is the Christ! or There! do not believe it _____. For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to _____, if possible, even the elect."
(Matthew 24:23-24)

NOTE: It is obvious that in order for this deception to work, these impostors must speak as Christ spoke and perform some of the miraculous deeds which Christ performed!

5. **Which word does the apostle Paul employ to describe the devil's favourite method of deception?**

"Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the _____ of the devil." **(Ephesians 6:11)**

NOTE: The word "wiles" comes from the Greek word methodeia. According to Greek lexicographers, this word means "to lure by a magic

imitate." It is possible to counterfeit true love. Many couples have gotten married thinking they were in love when in reality, they were infatuated. How can we distinguish true love from counterfeit love?

3. **According to the apostle Paul, what is true love?**

"Love does no _____ to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfillment of the _____." **(Romans 13:10)**

NOTE: The previous context (verses 8, 9) clearly indicates that the apostle Paul is referring to the ten commandment law. Love without observance of God's commandments is mere sentimentalism!"

4. **How does John, the beloved disciple, define the word "love"?**

"For this is the love of God, that we keep His _____ and His commandments are not _____." **(I John 5:3)**

5. **How did Jesus say we must prove our love for Him?**

"If you _____ Me, keep My _____."
(John 14:15)

NOTE: Love is not some ethereal emotion or feeling; it is a divine principle which always acts in harmony with the objective law of God.

6. **Some Christians feel that obedience to God is not necessary so long as we have the Holy Spirit. Is this true?**

"And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy _____ whom God has given to those who _____ Him." **(Acts 5:32)**

7. **What did Jesus say concerning the relationship between obedience and the Holy Spirit?**

"If you love Me, keep My _____ And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper: that He may abide with you forever—the _____ of truth. . . ." **(John 14:15-17)**

Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound _____, but according to their _____ desires, because they have _____ ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.” (2 Timothy 3:2-4)

Dependence on Human Experience and Reason

1. According to Satan, why did God forbid Adam and Eve from eating the fruit of the tree?

“For God _____ that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be _____ and you will be like God, _____ good and evil.” (Genesis 3:5)

Note; Satan’s third method of seduction is the most dangerous
Remember: Adam and Eve had no proof that God Was their Creator. Neither had He explained the reason why they could not eat the fruit of the tree. God simply expected Adam. And Eve to obey His Word, in faith, without question or reservation."

What Satan is saying to Eve in effect is this: "God hasn't explained to you the real reason why you can't eat from the tree. He wants you to think that it's because you will die. But God has a hidden agenda. He wants you to render Him blind service. He wants you to think that you are creatures and He is the Creator. It's not death that He wants to keep you from, it's equality with Himself which He wishes to prevent!

Here Satan is playing psychological mind games with Eve. He is saying "Trust your instincts trust your experience, Trust your reason. Trust your inner feelings."

2. Is it possible to counterfeit true love?

“Let love be without _____ (Romans 12:9)

NOTE: The King James Version translates this verse; “Let love be without dissimulation” The word “dissimulation” means “to fake, to

spell, to seduce; skill in outwitting, to tricky to ensnare by trickery.” Satan never works overtly but rather covertly!

*In what follows, we will study **five methods** of deception which Satan used to deceive Eve and which he continues to employ today with astonishing success.*

Miracles Signs and Wonders

1. What unusual ability did Satan give to the serpent which it did not naturally possess?

“Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the God had made and he _____ to the woman. . . .” (Genesis 3:1)

NOTE: Biblical scholars disagree on whether Satan used the serpent as a medium or took the form of a serpent. It doesn't really matter. We all know that serpents don't have the ability to talk. Yet Satan made it appear like the serpent was talking. In other words, Satan performed a counterfeit miracle.

2. According to John 6:1, 2, why did the multitudes follow Jesus?

“Then a great multitude followed Him because they saw His _____ which He performed on those who were _____.” (John 6:2)

3. What did many of the followers of Jesus do when He ceased performing miracles and began to teach the Word of God?

“From that time many of His disciples went _____ and walked with Him no _____.” (John 6:66)

4. What great works will Satan perform just before the second coming of Christ?

“The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all _____, signs, and _____ wonders.” (2 Thessalonians 2:9)

NOTE: The only other place in the whole Bible where the words “power, signs and wonders” appear is Acts 2:22 where these things are attributed to Christ. Clearly then, Satan will counterfeit the signs and wonders which Jesus performed while He was on earth!

5. Are all miracles, signs and wonders performed by the power of God?

“Many will say to Me in that day “Lord, Lord, have we not _____ in Your name, cast out _____ in Your name, and done many _____ in Your name?” And then I will declare to them, “I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!” (Matthew 7:22-23)

6. With what purpose will demons perform miracles through the instrumentality of the dragon, the beast and the false prophet?

“For they are spirits of demons, performing _____, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to _____ them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.” (Revelation 16:14)

Misuse of God’s Word

1. How did Satan misquote God’s word to Eve?

“And he said to the woman, “Has God indeed said, you shall not eat of _____ tree of the garden?” (Genesis 3:1)

NOTE: Satan’s second method of deception was to misuse and abuse the Word of God. God had not said that they could not eat of any tree of the garden. He had said that they could not eat from this particular tree. Furthermore, Eve embellished the Word of God when she stated to the serpent that God had forbidden them to even touch the fruit. We find here that Satan is playing games with the Word of God.

2. How did Jesus answer Satan’s first temptation in the wilderness?

“It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every _____ that proceeds from the mouth of God.”” (Matthew 4:4)

3. Knowing that Jesus lived the Word: of God, which method did Satan employ in the second temptation?

“_____ You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is _____: He shall give His angels charge over you, and in their hands they shall bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.” (Matthew 4:6)

NOTE: Satan was encouraging Jesus to jump from the temple tower and to claim the promise of His Father’s protection in doing so (Psalm 91:11, 12). Satan did not quote verse one from the same Psalm where the condition for claiming God’s promise is found: “He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.” (Psalm 91:1). Satan was tempting Jesus to commit the sin of presumption which means claiming ‘God’s promises while we disobey His express commands.

4. Read the following verses: Romans 3:28; 5:20;, 6:14. What do these verses seem to teach?

Now read the context of each of the verses listed above: Romans 3:31; 6:1, 2, 15. **Is the apostle Paul teaching that because of God’s grace, we do not need to keep the law?** _____

5. Will Satan use false ministers and apostles to deceive the world in the end time?

“For such are _____ apostles, _____ workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his _____ also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works.” (2 Corinthians 11:13-15)

6. What vital counsel did the apostle Paul give to his student, Timothy?

“Preach the _____! Be ready in season and out of season.