

Direction for Living

Matthew 6:9-13

PRAY FOR DIVINE LEADERSHIP

The Lord will never lead you to a place of temptation

"Let no one say when he is tempted, 'I am tempted by God,' for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone." James 1:13

The Lord is not responsible for what happens when you choose to surrender to temptation

Every commandment, every rule He has given you in His Word is meant to protect you from the damage of sin

"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap." Galatians 6:7

Jesus taught His disciples to pray proactively

When you let Him lead you, He will always lead you away from temptation

There is a term that describes what it means to let Christ lead you in the way you need to go – discipleship

"So then we are both to run away from spiritual danger and to run after spiritual good, both to flee from the one in order to escape it and to pursue the other in order to attain it." John Stott

PRAY FOR DIVINE PROTECTION

Jesus wanted His followers to understand that they were not making spiritual decisions in a morally neutral world

Satan is a vicious enemy, constantly trying to get you to follow him down the path of destruction

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." I Peter 5:8

Christ commands you to pray for God's active intervention in your life

The Christian life begins and ends by actively depending upon Jesus

TRUE FORGIVENESS TRANSFORMS YOUR LIFE

To be forgiven is to be set free

To forgive is to free another

We are free to live in a way that is impossible apart from the power of forgiveness