

TEMPTATION

JAMES 1:13-16

Big Idea:

Jesus is the High Ground against the flood waters of temptation.

1.) Don't assume you're SAFE

-- At every turn, the world is directing us to park our lives in the flood zones of temptation (2 Cor. 11:14, 1 Peter 5:8).

2.) Don't fall ASLEEP

-- We must not be found sleeping or unaware when the river of temptation is swelling (Mat. 26:40-41, Gal. 6:1).

3.) Don't underestimate the RISK

-- The torrent of temptation is far more treacherous than most people realize (James 1:13-15).

-- Temptation itself is not really the problem. Rather, it is our own evil desires that carry us away into floods of destruction.

4.) Stand upon the HIGH GROUND

-- When the floods of temptation arise, the only safe place to stand is upon the high ground of Christ (Hebrews 2:17-18, Jude 1:24).

-- Put God's Word into practice and ask Him to change your wants, and He will increasingly plant your feet on the high ground of holiness.