

**1 Peter 5:6-8** (NKJV) Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, {7} casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. {8} Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

**I Every child of God will be tested**

- . **2 Corinthians 1:8** (NKJV) For we do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, of our trouble which came to us in Asia: that we were burdened beyond measure, above strength, so that we despaired even of life.
- . **James 1:2-3** (NKJV) My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, {3} knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.
- . **1 Peter 4:12-13** (NKJV) Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; {13} but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

**II Faith in a Faithful God**

- . **Psalms 84:11-12** (NKJV) For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly. {12} O LORD of hosts, Blessed is the man who trusts in You!
- . **Psalms 91:14-16** (NKJV) Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. {15} He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. {16} With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation.

**III How to overcome temptation and endure trials**

- . **PRAY 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18** (NKJV) Rejoice always, {17} pray without ceasing, {18} in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
- . **Philippians 4:6-7** (NKJV) Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; {7} and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.
- . **1 Peter 5:7** (NKJV) casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.
- . **Luke 22:46** (NKJV) Then He said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation."

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- . FLEE IDOLATRY **1 Corinthians 10:13-14** (NKJV) No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it. {14} Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.
- . FEAR GOD **Psalms 34:7-9** (NKJV) The angel of the LORD encamps all around those who fear Him, And delivers them. {8} Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him! {9} Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints! There is no want to those who fear Him.
- . DON'T STOP **Galatians 6:9-10** (NKJV) And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. {10} Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

#### **IV Prayer from others Saints**

- . **James 5:13-16** (NKJV) Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. {14} Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. {15} And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. {16} Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

#### **V Cast your burden on the Lord**

- . **Psalms 55:22** (NKJV) Cast your burden on the LORD, And He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the righteous to be moved.

**Matthew 7:13-14** (NKJV) "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. {14} "Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.