

Charis Christian Centre

Prayer Pointers:-

- 1. Pray for our Church AGM next month (May 17th)**
 - Pray for the election of the board members- that His sovereign guidance be upon this matter.**
 - pray for a smooth flow and a fruitful AGM.**

- 2. Pray for the Building Renovation Plans.**
 - that we will have all the divine wisdom to plan and all remaining approvals will come.**
 - pray that the church will be ready to rise up and do this project together with one heart, one mind.**

- 3. Break into groups of 3, each person taking one item.**
 - a. The New cabinet and leadership of our country and the good future of Malaysia be in His will.**
 - b. Divine intervention on all the social ills and crimes in our neighborhood.**
 - c. God to bless each one of us in the job/business; health and family well being.**

BOOK OF JAMES: LESSON 6

SCRIPTURE TEXT:- JAMES 1:16-18.
THEME: "THE MEASURE OF A CHRISTIAN."

James 1:16-18- "Don't be deceived, my dear brothers. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created."

In the previous week we have dealt with the issue of temptations and the Word teaches us that **GOD IS NOT THE AUTHOR OF TEMPTATION.**

So, **"don't be deceived..."-James 1:16.**

Question:- How can we be deceived to think that God is the author of temptation?

Now in this instance, we can confidently say that God is not the author of temptation because:-

1. James 1:13 --"God cannot be tempted by evil nor does He tempt anyone".
 - It is against the _____ of God.

2. James 1:17 – “Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows”. It is against His _____.

Question:- How do we explain the incident where Abraham was told to offer Isaac at Mt Moriah? Was that a temptation or something else?

3. James 1: 18 – “He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be kind of firstfruits of all he created.”

In another word, far from the truth that God is the One who will tempt us to do evil, it is instead within His will that we may experience His regeneration by the “born again” experience.

-this born again/regeneration experience is important because with that you can then be better equipped to detect deception.

Question:-

What does it mean by “we might be kind of firstfruits of all he created”

Question:-

Is it a sin when we are tempted?

Question:-

How do you explain 1 Corinthians 10:13?