

PART 3: The Devil Can't Make Me Do It **DATE: 06-19-2022**

START

We face temptations everyday. Our temptations can range from choosing to spread gossip we heard about someone to stealing something that doesn't belong to us. Temptation is the influence of someone or something to entice us into doing what we know to be wrong or unwise.

- Have you ever said the devil made me do it when you have made a bad choice?
- What areas in your life do you find temptation most prominent?
- How can you confront these temptations?

READ

[Proverbs 4:11-13](#) (NIV)

"I instruct you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life."

THINK

As we face temptation in life we have to know that how we respond to temptations doesn't just impact our life here and now, but it has eternal implications. It comes down to a character issue. When we compromise our character, we compromise our future and potentially those that follow us.

- When have you compromised your character and it affected your future?
- How has falling into temptation affected others around you?

In order to combat temptation we must reflect, replicate, resist, and run. Reflect on things that are worthy of God, replicate those good things, resist the devil and run away.

- What are things that are worthy of God to reflect on?
- How does your life replicate these worthy things?
- How can you resist the devil?
- What do you need to run away from him?

PRAY

"God, when I am confronted with temptation, help me to reflect on the things you deem worthy and to replicate those good things. Help me to resist temptation and to run away when it is needed.

ACT

This week, make a list of the worthy things of God that you can reflect on and begin to replicate. Allow these things to prepare you when faced with temptation.

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