

## Prayer is Victory Over Temptation

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### **Matthew 26:41**

"Watch (to be awake, on the alert) and pray, that ye enter not (to experience, enter into a state or condition) into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

***If you're not praying, you're either in sin, or one step away.***

### **Genesis 4:7** ESV

"If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it."

### **Romans 13:14**

"But put ye on (bestowed or endowed with a certain quality or condition, wrapped in clothing) the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision (foresight, provisional thinking) for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof."

***Remove every advantage, every inroad, every access point the flesh has by continual and active communion in prayer.***

### **Galatians 5:16–17**

16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

***The moment we are not walking in the Spirit, we are caught in the middle of the Spirit and flesh battle, unable to do what we should or would.***

### **Romans 8:2–6**

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

5 For they that are after the flesh do mind (direct the mind, think, ponder) the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

6 For to be carnally minded (that which is in the mind) is death; but to be spiritually minded (that which is in the mind) is life and peace.

### **Romans 8:5–6** ESV

5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

6 For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

### **Romans 8:12–16**

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

14 For as many as are led (bring, carry) by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

### **Romans 6:13**

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

### **Romans 6:19**

19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

### **Prayer - Continual & Active Communion with God**

- **Pray** (*Matthew 26:41*)
- **Put on Christ** (*Romans 13:14*)
- **Walk in the Spirit** (*Galatians 5:16-17*)
- **Mind the Things of the Spirit** (*Romans 8:2-6*)
- **Led by the Spirit** (*Romans 8:12-16*)
- **Yield unto God** (*Romans 6:13*)