

How Following Jesus Helps Keep Us from Temptation

Practical Help in a Troubled World

Ephesians 4:25-32

There is, of course, a biblical way of following Jesus. Amid all the “alternatives,” there is really only one way (Jn. 14:6). We will have a look.

Bidding Farewell to the Ways of the World (Eph. 4:17-22, 25-31)

- Attitudes (Lk. 6:42)
- Behaviors (Matt. 23:14, 25)
- Goals (Phil. 3:18-19)

Embracing Jesus and Christ-like Behavior (Eph. 4:20-24; 5:9-10; Col. 3:12-17)

- Attitudes (Phil. 2:5)
- Behaviors (I Jn. 1:7)
- Goals (Phil. 3:13-14)

Being Part of Jesus' Plan (Eph. 1:1-14)

- Direction (Matt. 28:18-20)
- Confidence (Eph. 3:11-13)
- Brotherhood (I Tim. 5:1-2)

Godly activity, a constructive, biblical path to follow, is crucial to warding off temptations. Clearing the way of obstructions and filling the void with good attitudes and actions is indispensable. Working with our brothers and sisters in pursuit of God's plan completes the picture and fully arms us for the fight against Satan. Even greater than this, however, is the fact that we are armed to fight alongside Jesus to advance the Kingdom!

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