

Living with temptation.



What is his first mistake?

Romans 7:19-25 *For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. ²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner being I delight in God's law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!*

1 John 2:15-17 *Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. ¹⁶ For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷ The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.*

Romans 6:12 *Do not let sin reign in you. (paraphrased)*

Our God is El Elyon- The God Most High

Elohim- The All-Powerful Creator

Jehovah- The Self-Existent One, the great "I AM!"

Satan is a liar, a murderer, a thief, and a destroyer.

To be successful standing against temptation we must-

1. Walk in humility
2. Practice integrity
3. Desire loyalty, love God (Make Him your heart's desire)
4. Exercise responsibility
5. Live accountably (recognize our vulnerabilities, stay accountable to God's word and other believers)
6. Pray asking God to help us see areas of temptation and give us strength to flee.

Psalms 33:11 *But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations.*

Philippians 1:6 *I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion...*

1 John 4:4 *...greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.*