

IGNITE ~ Women's Bible Study Time With God



April 16-21

MEMORY VERSE:

Matthew 6:13 And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]

FRIDAY, APRIL 16th ~ EVEN JESUS WAS TEMPTED

Pray: Ask the Holy Spirit to give you a hunger and desire for the inspiration of the Word, and wisdom and insight to comprehend it.

Read: Matthew 4:1-11, Luke 4:1-13

Observe: What do you notice as you carefully meditate over these passages, as it pertains to:

Jesus:

Satan:

Temptation:

Other Insights:

Think about it: What can you take away from this as tools or understanding for your own life as it pertains to temptation?

Apply: The main tool Jesus used was the Word. Take an honest inventory of where you are with the Word of God. Make a decision and choice to be a Woman of the Word... what will you do this week to take one step forward from where you presently are?



SATURDAY, APRIL 17th ~ PRAYER PRECEDES A TEMPTATION

Pray: Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you in this time of prayer, stay in it until you feel that you and God are done.

Read: Matthew 6:13, Luke 11:4, Matthew 26:39-41

Observe: What do these verses reveal about the eminent confrontation with temptation?

What tool is Jesus giving us to be on the offensive with temptation rather than on the defense?

Think About it: Are you aware that temptation is part of this world we live in and Satan's tool to entice us away from the Lord? How have you personally seen this happen?

What are your thoughts about praying about and before temptation?

How do you think this practice in Jesus' own life empowered Him in the Garden of Gethsemane to choose God's will over the temptation to do this another way?

Apply: What are you tempted by? What draws you into pride, or apathy, or materialism, or distance from God...or?

We usually pray after we have committed a sin. This week take time to pray each day that God protect you from being led into temptation, and to keep you from evil. Is there something Jesus is trying to reveal to us?

MONDAY, APRIL 19th ~ SPIRITUAL GARDENING

Pray: Ask for God to search your heart, to reveal it's condition, to reveal anything that is hindering your walk with Him and other's.

Read: Luke 8:4-15



Observe: What is the different soil represented by? What does that look like in today's world?

What happens to the seed on each soil? What is representative of that today?

What are the seeds?

Think about it: How can this understanding effect the way you pray for those rejecting the Word? Or resisting it? Or not persevering?

Apply: Examine your soil? What condition is it in?

What "gardening" do you need to do to get yourself in a soft receptive place for the see of the Word to enter in and bear fruit?

Are you positioned so that your soil is where the seeds are being spread?

TUESDAY, APRIL 20th ~ THE CRY OF THE DESPERATE FOR GOD

Pray: Pray through your passion for Christ; tell Him how desperate you are for Him, for His heart, for His will, for His purpose, for His kingdom, and for His justice in this world.

Read: Psalm 42

Observe: What temptations could the psalmist be revealing through this passage?

What reveals his desperation for God?

What reveals why he might be desperate?

Think about it: What are you truly thirsting for? This will reveal how you stand up to temptation...no Christian pat answers...get real...what are you thirsting for? Pray it out.



Apply: Put yourself in this psalm, read it several times with your name and your situations in it, let it get into your heart. What is the impact?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21st ~ A WAY OUT

Pray: Ask the Lord to speak to you today. Ask Him to increase your ability to hear His voice.

Read: 1Corinthians 10:1-13

Observe: Write out verse 13.

This verse is often taken out of context...what do you learn about the context of this verse and what it really pertains to?

Think about it: If God will give us a way out of temptation...why don't we take it?

Are you even looking for a way out or do you find yourself wrestling the temptation rather than finding the open door out?

Apply: How can this understanding effect the way you live life as it pertains to temptation?

Look up the following verses, and note what insight you gain about our need to be alert and aware?

1Timothy 3:6-12

1Peter 5:8

James 1:12-22



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