



April 3rd – 8th
Gifts of the Dark Wood
The Gift of Temptation

My grandfather always said that if you are constantly feeling torn or tempted to do something you know you shouldn't, you're on the right track. He saw the notion of temptation as something pushed on us to get us to change course. When we live for Jesus, forces in this universe want nothing more than for us to be petty, selfish, stubborn, and hard-hearted. If we are being tempted to those things, then we must be doing something right.

Let's read through some Scripture this week about Temptation. As always, think about our 4 questions:

- What does it say about God?
- What does it say about Human beings?
- What does it say about Creation?
- What does it say about the relationship between creation, God, and humanity?

Monday April 3rd - Read 1 Corinthians 10:13

Tuesday April 4th - Read (The Temptation of Jesus) Matthew 4:1-11

Wednesday April 5th - Read Matthew 18:6

Thursday April 6th - Read 1 Timothy 6:9

Friday April 7th - Read James 1:12

Saturday April 8th - Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-19. How does reconciliation relate to temptation?

Look at the prayer list. Who can you pray for? Who needs a little extra help in an area where you can make a difference?

Healing Strength: Linda Campbell, Beverly Kysar, Judy Hadlock (Barb McCormack's sister), Rex Townsend, Stan Ensich, Chris Osborn (Ken and Sandy Grubb's daughter), Janet Coons (Donna McCullough's daughter)

Sympathies: Family of Sylvia Henricks

Homebound Members: Mary Hicks, Mary Schmidt, Jeanne Carman, Ginny Compton, Clara Ford, Caroline Loos

Our College Students: Emily Zietlow, Alexandria Meyer, Emily Crowel, Noel Wolfe

Military Personnel: Adam Walters, Joseph Roberts, Lucas Lamkin, Adam Clark

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS & REFLECTIONS