**Persisting against temptation – 1 Cor. 10:13**

No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it – 1 Cor. 10:13

**The trial of temptation**

1. The word temptation means enticement, allurement to sin in word, thought or deed
2. What are the things that entice you to sin?
3. Everyone experiences the alluring power of temptation
4. As long as we live in this world, we will experience temptation.

**Hear God’s Word**

1. Temptation overtakes us in all ages & circumstances of life – “no temptation has overtaken you”
2. Temptation is common to all people – young, old, men & women in every season and circumstance of life
3. God is faithful to His people in their temptations – “God is faithful”
4. God will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear if you resist the temptation – We are reminded in James that we sin when we yield to our lusts that are drawn by temptations
5. God will provide to the resister in temptation a way of escape from the temptation
6. God will provide the way of escape so that you can endure the temptation – we can overcome temptation only by the power & help of God

**Believe God’s Word**

1. Remember that you will never be without temptations in this world. The world, the devil and the flesh pressure the believer to yield to temptation and sin
2. The Lord Jesus endured temptation as He carried out His ministry in the world – temptations of Satan, temptations to react to the unbelief of the religious leaders who challenged him. **He was tempted in all points like we are yet without sin**
3. Enduring temptation is not done in our own strength but through God’s faithfulness in every temptation
4. Resist temptation in the power of God & the word of God like Jesus Christ did with the devil
5. Resistance to temptation is enduring temptation in all seasons of life
6. God always provides escapes from the allurement of temptation in our resistance against it

**Live God’s Word**

1. Today your temptations are experienced by every other person in the world also.
2. Depend on the faithfulness of God in fire of temptation
3. Resistantly endure today the temptation that you are facing
4. God will never leave you in fire of temptation – He is there He will help you endure and overcome them!