

Scriptures for temptation Most of the time most of us (even children) understand what is right and what is wrong. The problem is our feelings. We get angry, lonely, ashamed, afraid, bitter etc. and then we are *tempted* to sin. Like Paul we don't want to in the brain part of us but the feeling part says "Do it". It even happened to Jesus. But **he** did not sin and if we learn to trust him neither will we. The two most important things are probably to pray BEFORE you sin and then to trust God to strengthen you and make a way of escape. In short: pray, then flee. A scripture in the pocket should make it easier. Week 5 on our website www.homeword.ws has a great blessing to read over each child as he begins his day. It might seem a bit childish for teenagers but try it for a week and see if they don't begin to enjoy it.

Pray, so that you will not fall into temptation. Mark 14:38	The mind controlled by the spirit is life and peace. Romans 8:6	Blessed is the man who trusts in you. Psalm 84:12	Never will I leave you, never will I forsake you. Hebrews 13:5
Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial. James 1:12	Encourage one another And build each other up. 1Thes. 5:11	Love one another. John 13:34	Cast your cares on the Lord. Psalm 55:22
I have the desire to do what is good but I cannot carry it out. Romans 7:17	God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help... Psalm 46:	Though I walk in the midst to trouble, you preserve my life. Psalm 138:7	Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial. James 1:12
He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. 1 Cor. 10:13	Make every effort to add to your faith goodness... 2 Peter 1:5	Those with clean hands will grow stronger. Job 17:9	The Lord knows how to rescue Godly men from trials. 2 Peter 2:9
Who has been tempted in every way, just as we are. Hebrews 4:15	Who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing. Eph. 1:3	I will instruct you and teach you in the way your should go. Psalm 32:8	Who trusts in him will never be put to shame. Romans 10:11
Watch yourself or you also may be tempted. Galatians 1:6	He will watch over your life. Psalm 121:7	Do not be quickly provoked. Ecclesiastes 7:9	Resist the devil and he will flee from you. James 4:7
Fear not. Isaiah 43:1	Lead us not into temptation. Matt 6:13	Be strong and take heart. Psalm 31:24	We know that our old self was crucified with him. Romans 6:6
Faith is being sure... Hebrews 11:1	How much more will the father in heaven give the Holy Spirit. Luke 11:13	We live by Faith. 2 Cor. 5:7	I will put my spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees. Ezekiel 36:27
Christ in you the hope of glory. Col. 1:27	If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. 2 Cor. 5:17	When you are tempted, he will also provide a way out. 1 Corinthians 10:13	If by the spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body you will live. Romans 8:13

WHY WE BELIEVE OUR COLORING PAGES AND POCKET SCRIPTURES COULD CHANGE YOUR CHURCH THE NATION AND THE WORLD OVERNIGHT!!!

*Carrying a scripture with them increases a child's sense of **EXPECTATION** that God will make it real. No amount of pure memorization can accomplish this.

*The first thing anyone who works with children learns is that there is never enough of you to go around to all the children. When faced with this inevitable problem...a child in need of personal attention...we can give them a sheet of pocket scriptures fitted to their FELT NEED: fear, anger, loneliness etc. and we trust God will stand by his word.

*For children, especially the children of divorce, the pocket scriptures also provide a sense of IDENTITY...even a sense of group identity if they know all the children in their church are also carrying a pocket scripture each day of the week.

*Point number four is that our pocket scriptures are rarely if ever a complete verse. We ask the parents to help the children look up the second half of the verse. It gives a child the FEEL of a Bible in their hands. It gives parents **a starting place** in their role as spiritual leaders. Taking two minutes a day to look up just one bible verse is something almost any parent can handle. Such a simple thing can have BIG results because God does all the heavy lifting. This humble beginning is something local pastors can build on, a way to INVOLVE parents.

*It is God's command in Deut. 11:19, 'Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds: tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to you children when you sit at home...so that your days and the days of your children will be many.' These words were written 3,000 years BP (before pockets). They are an old idea, God's idea. They make me think of the children in my first class of preschoolers especially the four who died before the age of 18. I have no way of knowing if a scripture in their pocket would have saved their lives but I believe with all my heart that: **Pocket Scriptures are the least we can do...THE VERY VERY VERY LEAST.**

*Putting our coloring pages out in doctors offices and auto repair waiting rooms with an invitation to visit your church could be an open door to church growth.

How we pray you will share our dream with others. Could you email the links to a friend or sister church. The links are www.homeword.ws and www.mypocketscriptures.com.

We don't charge for downloading any of our pages
**We DO ask that you take this page to your churches
prayer chain.**

I continue to ask prayer for my mother Dorothy. The Doctors have finally found a blood pressure medicine that helps her during the day but during the night while she sleeps it still gets up to dangerous levels. Hope you might pray for her. This request means a great deal to me.

For myself this month's request is for grace to trust God...with my **health**, with my attitude and with the healing of my soul.

Hope you might continue to pray for just six churches or individuals to pledge ten dollars a month to the support of this website. To date we do not have a single sponsor committed for 2005