



There Is A Way Out

Main idea

In every temptation, God provides a way out.

Warm-up

Instead of a warm-up question, get the group to solve these puzzles!

http://www.learning-tree.org.uk/stickpuzzles/stick_puzzles.htm

<http://www.jimloy.com/puzz/match.htm>

introduction

Have you experienced a puzzling situation in real life? As if there was no way to solve it? Academics- can't seem to pass that subject; Finances- can't seem to get out of lack; Family- seemingly hopeless situation; Love- can't seem to move on; Dream- there's no way its going to happen anymore; It's hopeless, there's no way to get out

But we need to understand that in God, there is no hopeless situation. God can always provide a solution, a way out to every problem we face, including our temptation.

Message

"...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 stand up under it."

1 Corinthians 10:13

Temptation is not a dead end. We do not need to get stuck in temptation forever. The Bible says that God will always provide a way out so we can stand up under it. He is a faithful God who will not allow you to face a temptation bigger and stronger than you. He is faithful to make sure that you have a way out at all times!

Sometimes, God's way out is just as simple as saying NO. Nothing mystical or supernatural. Just plain common sense. But what if we take the way out and end up getting into more harm than good? What if the way out can make things harder for us? Let us look at the story of Joseph...

Bible Illustration: Story of Joseph. He chose to run away. He refused to give in. He chose the way out. Yet, the result was imprisonment and suffering for many years. But in the end, he was moved from being a prisoner to being the second highest official in all Egypt. He was able to save the nation, his family and all Israel from famine. What used to be a difficult way out turned out to be the unfolding of God's plan to save many lives.

We can be sure that when we choose God's way out, He will work in all things for our good.

challenge

Make a decision not to linger in temptation but to take God's way out.

Application Question

In what area do you need a way out?