"Deliver Us from the Evil One"

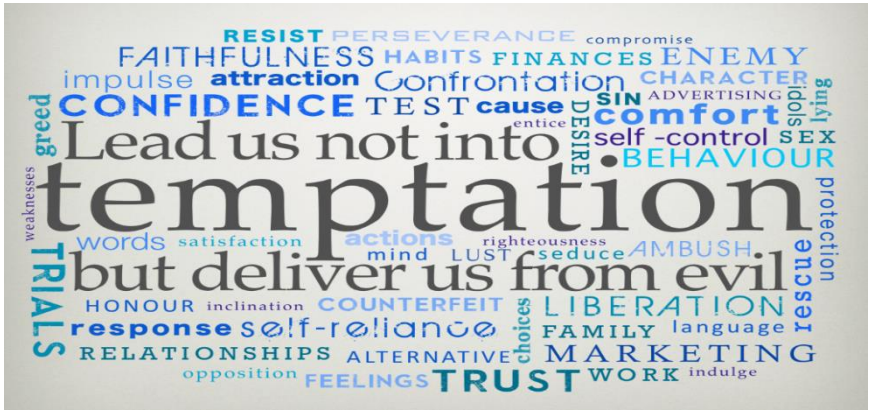
The last request in the Disciple's Prayer has troubled Christians for centuries: Does God 'lead us into temptation'? What is Jesus telling us to ask for? The answer to those questions reveals that God knows the dangers of testing, and wants us to have victory over sin.

A Puzzling Request: *Lead us not into temptation*

- Πειρασμός (*peirasmos*): "Temptation" or "trial"?
- A recent event: Jesus *led by the Spirit* to be tempted (Mt. 4.1)
- God, temptation, and us: His power, our need (James 1.12-18)

A Prayer for God's Strength and Deliverance

- *Lord, help me avoid situations where I am tempted to sin.*
- *Lord, provide me a way of escape from Satan and his snares.*
- *Lord, thank you for making my spiritual victory possible!*



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