

“TEN WAYS TO RESIST TEMPTATION: PART 3”

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5. Resist by Relationships. Much said in the previous point can be said here. If someone is repeatedly tempting you to sin, avoid that person as much as possible, or you may be deceived into a sinful state that leads to Hell: “Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals” (1 Cor. 15:33). Some people such as spouses or coworkers cannot necessarily be avoided, so the Christian must do his best to preserve his salvation (Phil. 2:12) and help lost sinners find their way to Heaven through the Gospel of Christ (Rom. 1:5,16; 1 Peter 3:1; 4:17-19; 1 John 1:7-9). Beware that those we love the most have the biggest influence on our decisions (cf. 1 Kings 11:1-13). It is therefore wise to surround ourselves with those who love God and love us enough to help us get to Heaven. That is surely one of the main reasons God commands Christians to assemble regularly — to encourage one another to be faithful (Heb. 10:24-25).

6. Resist by Requests in Prayer. Those baptized for the purpose of becoming forgiven have been added to Christ’s one church, having been born of water and of the Spirit (Acts 2:38-41,47; John 3:5). In repentance they “died to sin,” burying the former sinful person in water to arise and become children of God (Rom. 6:1-6; Gal. 3:26-27; Titus 3:5). These new children now have the right to pray and say, “Our Father in Heaven” (Luke 11:1-4; Eph. 1:3). One of the great blessings of prayer is that it can help in time of temptation, as with Christ and His disciples in Gethsemane: “Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation” (Matt. 26:41). Calling upon God while Satan is trying to ensnare us will help bring our focus back to the holy nature of God and how He desires us to be holy like Him (Titus 1:16; 2:11-12; 1 Peter 1:15-16).



Seven Days Without Prayer Makes One Weak.

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SICK LIST

Jaime Ashby	Curtis Jones
Deborah Ballew	Henry Kuhn
Bo Berlin	Lynwood Langley
Butch Bess	Phillip Langley
Don Blackwell	Sandra Langley
Jimmy Carter	Carson Malone
Rosalynne Carter	Sandra Malone
Tish Clarke	Rusty Montandon
Bert Denton	Cheryl Parson
Grace Denton	Tyler Pate
Lesia Fox	Joanne Paz
Carolyn Freeze	Brenda Qualls
Teresa Gann	J. C. Qualls
Terri Glisson	Jean Rhea
Steve Higginbotham	Mike Steakley
Billie Hill	Peggy Ward

Please remember to pray for the sick.
If you know of anyone who needs to be added to the Sick List, please let the one, who will make the announcements, know.

BIBLE SCHOOL CORNER

Youth Perfect Attendance

for the Month of June

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Ellie Dixon, Allie Gann, Graceley Gann,
Jase Gann, Sesley Gann, & Shirley Gann

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Allie Gann, Graceley Gann, Jase Gann,
Sesley Gann, & Shirley Gann

Congratulations!

NEWS

- It is a great privilege to assemble to study God’s Word and actively participate in worship unto our God! We thank you for your presence.
- Earleyville church of Christ Vacation Bible School, July 9-13 at 7:00 nightly; Theme: “Jesus’ Friendship Parables;” Classes for all ages with different speakers nightly for the Adult Class; Jason Gann will be speaking about “The Unforgiving Servant” on Wednesday night, July 12.
- The monthly men’s business meeting will be held today at 10:45 if the Lord permits. All faithful Christian men of the congregation are asked to attend.
- The men of the congregation who are willing are asked to plan to lead some songs in the Second Worship Service, which is our monthly “Gospel Singing.”
- The congregation is invited to go out for lunch at The Landing following the Second Worship Service today. This will serve as our fellowship meal for the month of July.
- As our country celebrates 247 years as being in existence as a country, let us remember those who have made great sacrifices for this country. Let us remember to thank God for blessing us with a country and may we work as a country to please Him in showing our thanksgiving. Happy July 4th!
- Help us to restock our pantry. This week’s suggested pantry item: corn

