



# World Victory Church

*“Protecting the Glory”* part 3 Sun Mar 3, 2019

Foundation Scripture: **Luke 22:31-32**

Remember: The closer to God you get, the greater the threat you become!

- I. 3 Simple Keys to Protecting the Glory
  - A. Stop the devil’s seeds with God’s incorruptible Seed
    1. **II Corinthians 10:5**
    2. Satan is constantly saying something to you; what are you saying to him?
  - B. Choose your fellowships with utmost priority
    1. **I Corinthians 15:33-34** *“Bad company corrupts good morals.”*
    2. Don’t be deceived in believing that your “good” influence can change someone’s bad nature by hanging around them! (**II Cor. 6:14**)
  - C. Don’t ignore the “red” flags and warning signs (Listen)
    1. **I Thess 5:22** – Abstain (Refrain yourself) from ALL APPEARANCE...
    2. The voice of God is always leading us; it’s when we ignore His voice, that we yield to temptation!
- II. Understanding & Overcoming Temptation
  - A. First and Foremost, God is not the tempter; He is the deliverer
    1. **James 1:13-17** (Tempt – Test)
    2. **I Corinthians 10:13** – God has given us the way of escape, but we must choose that way (Remember, God will not make you do the right thing)
      - This is why it is so important to stay away from ALL appearance of evil
      - Example: The boy that was questioned by the farmer
  - B. Temptation & Sin Explained
    1. What is Temptation & its purpose?
      - The simple definition: the enticement to sin (evil)
      - It comes to take your identity which only comes through a powerful relationship with God
    2. What is sin & its purpose?
      - The simple definition: Missing the Mark (What is the mark?)
      - It comes to separate you from God and His Presence (Glory)
    3. It is not a sin to be tempted.... (When did King David sin?)
      - It becomes sin, when you yield to temptation
      - The temptation is the “attempt to draw you away” (**James 1:14**)
    4. “Everyone sins”, “We are all sinners” – Stop hiding behind this lie!
      - When you speak like a sinner, you will be a sinner!
      - God told Cain to reign (have power) over sin (**Genesis 4:7**)
      - **I John 2:1** (Sin not); **Romans 6:12** *“Don’t let sin reign in your body.”*