

Weekly Study Guide for October 26, 2025 | Deliver Us from Evil

What does “Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil” mean to you? In this lesson, we aim to address this question by examining what is commonly known as the Lord’s Prayer, with a specific focus on the first part of verse 13. Let’s see what God’s Word has to say about it!

“This, then, is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen” (Matthew 6:9-13).

“What sorrow awaits the world, because it tempts people to sin. Temptations are inevitable, but what sorrow awaits the person who does the tempting. So, if your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It’s better to enter eternal life with only one hand or one foot than to be thrown into eternal fire with both of your hands and feet. And if your eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It’s better to enter eternal life with only one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into the fire of hell” (Matthew 18:7-9).

“When tempted, no one should say, ‘God is tempting me.’ For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed” (James 1:13-14).

“No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. 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 endure it” (1 Corinthians 10:13).

“Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts; do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh” (Romans 13:14).

“Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil with good” (Romans 12:21).

References: [Matthew 6:9-13](#); [Matthew 18:7-9](#); [James 1:13-14](#); [Philippians 4:13](#); [1 Corinthians 10:13](#); [Hebrews 4:14-16](#); [1 Timothy 6:11](#); [2 Timothy 2:22](#); [1 Corinthians 6:18](#); [1 Corinthians 10:14](#); [Romans 13:14](#); [Romans 8:5,12](#); [Isaiah 5:20](#); [Psalm 97:10](#); [Proverbs 8:13](#); [Romans 12:21](#); [Psalm 23](#); [Psalm 91](#)

Questions: The questions below invite us to reflect on how we respond to temptation in our daily lives, as well as recognize God’s provision, and examine our personal responsibility.

1. What do we learn about the nature of temptation? Why might God allow temptation, testing, and trials in our lives? What is God’s role in deliverance? What protection and help does He provide?
2. Do you ever ask God to lead you out of temptation and deliver you from evil? What does this mean to you? Is this something you pray daily or only when you’re in a rough spot?
3. What should be our response to temptation, evil, and sin? What personal responsibilities do we have? What is our responsibility to others? What spiritual disciplines can help us resist and flee temptation?
4. How can we become more aware of the “way out” God provides—and what keeps us from taking it? What does it look like to “put on Christ” and make no provision for the flesh? How can we actively respond to evil in a way that reflects good, rather than simply resisting or avoiding wrongdoing?
5. Which of these scriptures speaks to your current challenges? Why? What patterns of temptation do you notice in your life? What “way out” has God provided in the past? Has it worked? Why or why not?

Summary: While temptation is inevitable, it does not come from God but arises from our own desires. Nevertheless, God remains faithful by leading us out of temptation by providing a way to endure and escape temptation when it comes. Though temptation is common to all, we can learn to flee from it. Jesus urges a radical seriousness about sin, calling for decisive action to remove anything that leads us astray or causes others to stumble. Believers are called to actively resist evil—not just avoid sin. By discerning what is evil and hating it, we can overcome evil with good. We must cloth ourselves with Christ rather than gratify the desires of the flesh. When we pursue Jesus, God leads us in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake (Psalm 23:3).

Personal Reflection: What do you do when tempted? Do you give into it? Do you look for the way of escape? Do you flee temptation and run to Jesus? Do you make provision for the flesh? Do you look to God for help? What difference does this lesson make to your life? How will you respond in light of what you learned?