

Enticed

2 Peter 2:14, 18; James 1:14

2Peter 2:14

They are stains and blemishes,
reveling in their deceptions, as they
carouse with you,

**14 having eyes full of adultery that
never cease from sin, enticing
unstable souls, having a heart
trained in greed, accursed children;**

James 1:14

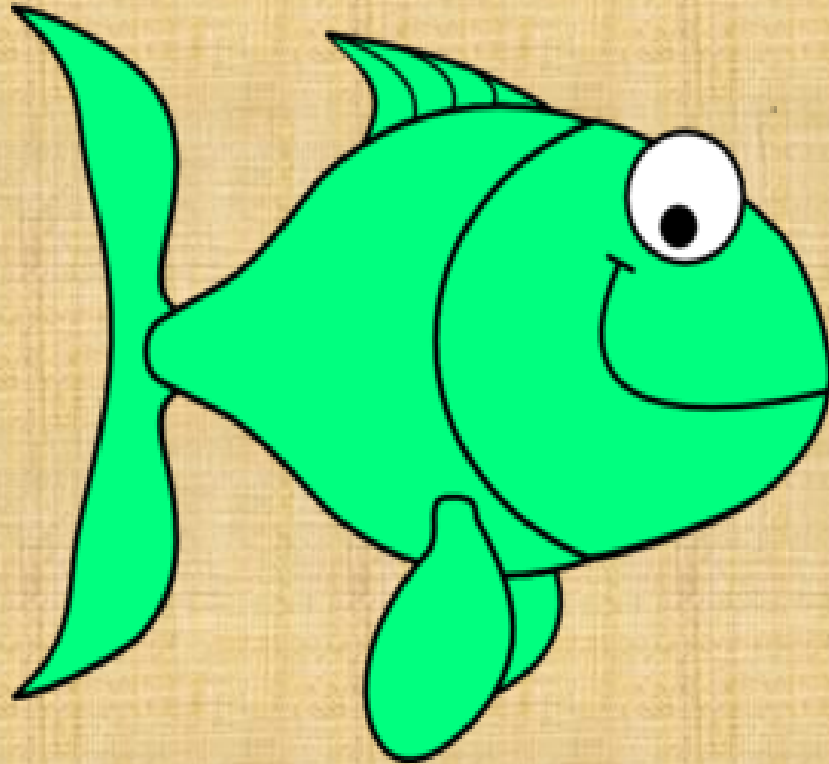
Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.

14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust.

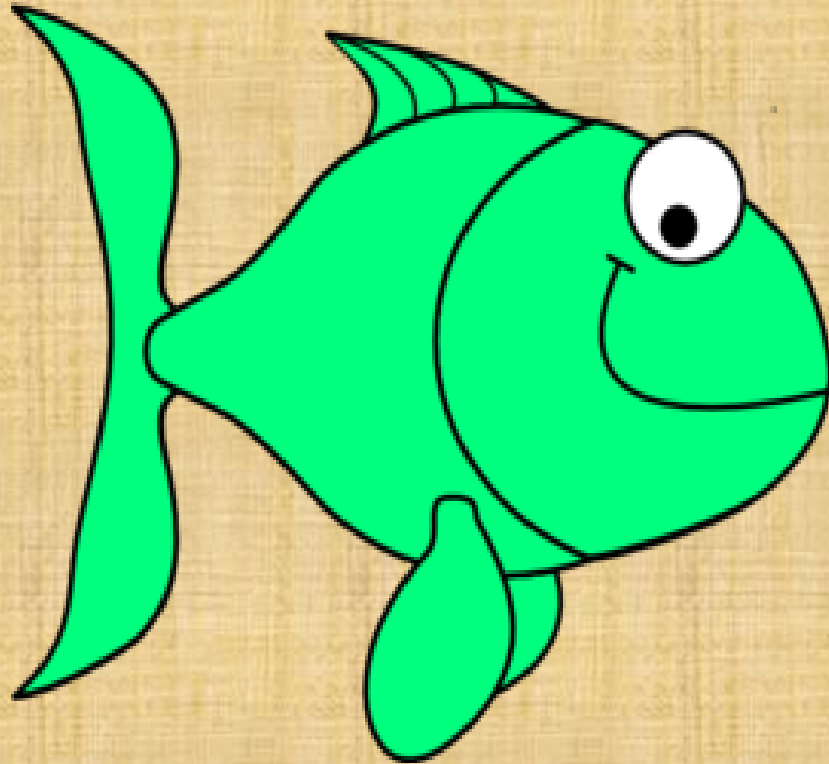
Entice?

- **δελεάζω**: to lure or entice someone to sin
- to lead astray, to lure into sin.'

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- δελεάζω may often be translated as
- ‘to make sinning look attractive’
- or ‘to make sin taste good’
- or ‘to wave sin in front of a person’s nose.’



When the woman saw that the tree was *good* for food, and that it was a *delight* to the eyes, and that the tree was *desirable* to make *one* wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.
(Gen. 3:6)



For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

(1John 2:16)

2 Tools of Satan

- *Deception – James 1:14-16*
- *Tempted – sin – death (14-15)*

**1:16 - Do not be
deceived, my beloved
brethren.**



- “For it was Adam who was first created, *and then Eve. And it was not Adam who was deceived, but the woman **being deceived, fell into transgression.*** (1Tim. 2:14)



- But I am afraid that, *as the serpent deceived Eve* by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of *devotion to Christ.* (2Cor. 11:3)

2 Tools of Satan

- Deception
- **Desire**
 - 'lust' –
 - *“to greatly desire to do or have something—‘to long for, to desire very much.’ “*

2 Tools of Satan

- ***Desire + Deception***

- 'make sin look attractive'
- 'Make sin taste good'
- 'To wave sin in front of a person's nose'

Joseph and Potiphar's wife



How then could I do this great evil
and sin against God?" (Gen. 39:9)

Two Aspects of Avoiding Temptation

- ***Change my KNOWLEDGE***
 - ***Learn what the will of God IS***
 - ***→ Ephesians 5 -***

Ephesians 5

- **FACT – vs. 5**

For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

Ephesians 5

- **Admonition: vs. 6**
 - let no one deceive you with empty words (6)

Ephesians 5

- **LESSON – vs. 17 Admonition:**

So then do NOT be foolish, but understanding what the will of the Lord is! (17)

Two Aspects of Avoiding Temptation

- ***Change my KNOWLEDGE***
 - *Learn what the will of God IS*
 - *Learn what the REAL cost of sin is*

Two Aspects of Avoiding Temptation

- Change my KNOWLEDGE
- ***Change my DESIRES***

**We struggle with
will-power
when the problem is
wrong desires.**

Psalm 73

- 1 Surely God is good to Israel,
To those who are pure in heart!
- 2 But as for me, my
feet came close to stumbling,
My steps had almost slipped.
- 3 For I was envious of the arrogant
As I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

Psalm 73

¹⁶ When I pondered to understand this,
It was troublesome in my sight

¹⁷ Until I came into the sanctuary of God;
Then I perceived their end.

Psalm 73

24 With Your counsel You will guide me,
And afterward receive me to glory.

25 **Whom have I in heaven *but You?*
And besides You, I desire nothing on
earth.**

Key aspects of avoiding Sin -

Change your knowledge

Change your DESIRES

**In Jesus
there is
FORGIVENESS**



Psalm 73

- Feet almost slipped - vs. 1-3
- THEN – saw their END vs. 16-17
- REALIZE – Know - Understand
 - greater end is to live WITH God – vs. 24
- THUS verse 25:

Beside God, I desire nothing on earth”