

James 1:13-18

Fault for Temptation Tests for genuine faith

- Don't blame God for temptation v. 13a
 - Why?
 - The Nature of Evil v. 13b
 - GOD CAN'T BE EVIL!
 - AND GOD DOESN'T TEMPT!
 - The Nature of Man v. 14
 - Compelled by personal desire Romans 7:18-25; Jer. 17:9; Matt. 15:18-19
 - Taking the bait 2 Peter 2:13-18
 - The Nature of Lust v. 15-16
 - Lust has four elements:
 - Desire (self)
 - Deception (self)
 - Rationalization
 - Justification
 - Design (self)
 - Disobedience (self)
 - The Nature of God v. 17
 - Perfect in nature
 - Giver of good and perfect things
 - Unchanging in character (no shadows)
 - Malachi 3:6; Matt. 7:7-11; Luke 11:13; Numbers 23:19
 - We are a God gift, solely by His will v. 18
 - Regeneration unto Holiness
 - First Fruits of creation John 3; Eph. 1:4-5; 2 Cor. 5:17; Eph. 4:24