

Facing the Enemy of Temptation – Psalm 119:9-16

How can I keep my way pure?

I must store up God's Word in my heart.

Questions for Discussion and Application:

1. What was difficult, surprising, or challenging from this passage of Scripture?
2. How did Satan lead Adam and Eve into disobeying God's commands? (See Genesis 3:1-7) What does this teach us about how Satan attacks us?
3. Unlike Adam and Eve, Jesus obeyed the commands of God for us. How did Jesus succeed against Satan's temptation and lies in Luke 4:1-12?
4. What can we learn from Jesus about how to fight the enemy of temptation?
5. Psalm 119:9 asks the question, "How can a young man keep his way pure?" What answer does the rest of our passage in Psalm 119:9-16 give to this question?
6. Is there really a battle that makes it necessary for us to use the weapon of God's Word in spiritual battle? (see Hebrews 3:13, I Peter 5:8, and Ephesians 6:10-18)
7. What things does the Psalmist NOT want to happen in his life (see verses 10,11,16)? What are some worldly messages that we often hear that could tempt us to wander from God's Commandments and Word?

8. What practical things have helped you to meditate upon and store up God's Word in your heart?
9. What is an example of a scripture that God has especially used to guard your heart against temptation?
10. What would God have you do in order to better hide His Word in your heart?