

DID GOD REALLY SAY THAT?



SERMON OUTLINES

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Part #2 – God Won't Give Me More than I Can Handle

1 Corinthians 10:6-13

Series Summary

The phrase "The Bible says..." has been used many times over the years to promote or teach subjects that sounded Biblical but are far from accurate. This series will confront some of the myths that our culture has become convinced are true. Our goal is to arm you with the Truth of God's Word and tackle common myths about God and His Word such as (1) All roads lead to heaven, (2) God helps those who help themselves, (3) God simply wants you to be happy, and much more.

Main Passage

1 Corinthians 10:6-13 – ⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Big Idea – The Lord is Larger Than Your Obstacles...Victory is Obtained in Him

Three Principles to Practice for Victory

Principle #1 – God’s Word is Truth to Apply in order to Achieve Victory

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- **Key Point** – The first principle that we examine is discovered in verses 6-10. It is within these verses that we observe the correct understanding of the relationship between trials and triumph. It is a fact that we will encounter trials that are greater than what we can handle. It is at this point that we recognize the great dependence and need for us to rely upon the application of the truth of God’s Word for victory.

Principle #2 – Discover Your Courage and Confidence in the Power of the Lord Not the Principles of Man

1 Corinthians 10:11-12 – ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.

- **Key Point** – The second principle that we examine is discovered in verses 11-12. It is within these verses that we study the importance of arming yourself with the courage and confidence of the Lord and His Word as you rely upon His power to overcome the trials you face.

Principle #3 – God Always Equips the Faithful to Persevere Through Times of Trial and Temptation

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- **Key Point** – The final principle that we examine is discovered in verse 13 as we observe the reality that it is by God's strength and endurance that we persevere over trials. God will equip you to persevere so be sure to listen to Him today!

Memory Verse

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Challenge:

Remind yourself that your responsibility, before the Lord, is to apply the truths you have discovered in the Word of God. As you reflect on this message, help others discover more about Jesus this week by...

- Inviting others to a Sunday Morning Service
- Asking others how you could pray for them