

Out of Context | Week 3
No More Than You Can Handle
1 Corinthians 10:11-13
July 14 & 15 2019

Big Idea

God provides THE way out when tempted!

Scripture

1 Corinthians 10:11-13

James 1:13-15

1 Corinthians 10:23-24

Discussion Questions

1 – Think about how video games have evolved over the years. How has the content and technology changed? Do you see any cultural compromise within that? Explain.

2 – With graduation and wedding season upon us, you are empowered to accept or decline party invites. Have you ever thought of temptation as an invitation to sin or to not sin before? How does thinking of temptation that way impact the power they have over you?

3 – When considering accepting the invitation to sin, we sometimes use these statements: “I deserve”, “I never have fun, so...”, “Everyone else is doing it!”, and “As compared to what so & so is doing, this is nothing!”. Which one(s) have you caught yourself falling for; proclaiming?

4 – Read James 1:13-15. In thinking about the progression pointed out here, can you identify a time where you got swept away in the progression? Where did that take you that you never thought it would?

5 – Read 1 Corinthians 10:23-24. Considering question 4 how *may* have things turned out differently had you asked the questions: “Jesus, is this good for me?” and “Jesus, is this good for them?” and lived out Jesus’ answer? God can and wants to use past mistakes to grow & change us into the likeness of His Son.

Next Steps

Stop being discouraged when tempted. Even Jesus was tempted! Instead view it as an opportunity (test) to grow. Know that we can pass/do well on them by asking “Jesus, is this good for me?” & “Jesus is this good for them?” and living out the answer. Just decline (through His Power) more invites to sin when tempted!

Prayer Focus

Dear God, help me to change my perspective on temptations to be invitations to sin or to not sin. And give me the power (YOUR POWER) to decline them by putting you and others first and trusting I will be blessed as I obey that calling.