

## How You Can Overcome the Temptation to Sin

*Pastor Jack Graham*

**Jas 1:13** Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:

**Jas 1:14** But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

**James 1:13-14**

I want you to picture a 6-inch-wide plank laid down along a sidewalk. Now if someone were to ask you to walk on that plank while it was on the ground, you'd very likely have no problem. But if you were to take that same plank and suspend it 200 feet high between two buildings, your perspective would be quite different.

That's exactly what happens with temptation, isn't it? We walk through our daily lives and think, "Hey, this isn't so bad. I can handle this." But then someone or something changes our circumstances and we get scared. So we take our eyes off of the task at hand and allow fear to push us into giving in to temptation.

The truth is that obedience is obedience no matter what circumstances we face. The difference is our perspective. It's usually easy to be honest with your financial dealings in times of success. But when money stops coming in, the temptation is there to do underhanded things. It's not that God's standards have changed, but your perspective on them has.

So the question is, are you going to trust God at His word through all circumstances? Or, are you going to let fear take hold in your heart and give in to temptation? Perspective changes, but God's Word never changes. Cling to the truth in all circumstances and keep your focus on God!

**DON'T LET YOUR PERSPECTIVE DETER YOU FROM OBEDIENCE.  
TRUST GOD AT HIS WORD BECAUSE HE NEVER CHANGES!**

## Sermon Outline



### The Suffering and Sacrifice of Jesus

*John 19:1-7;28-30*

The Gethsemane means "oil press."

#### **I. The Suffering of Jesus**

A. *His Position of Suffering v. 7*

B. *His Purpose of Suffering v. 11*

#### **II. The Sacrifice of Jesus - v 16-17**

A. *He willingly Carried our Cross v.17*

B. *He willingly Covered Our Sin*

#### **III. The Salvation Plan Through Jesus v.28-30**

A. *His Finished Work was Prophesied v. 28*

B. *His Finished Work was to Pardon v. 30*

#### **There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood**

*There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from  
Emmanuel's veins;*

*And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their  
guilty stains.*

**Religion says "Do," but Jesus says "Done!"**

## Sermon Notes

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**April 2, 2023**

*Welcome to Harvest  
Baptist Church*

**If you are visiting with us for the first time, we hope that you have already received a warm welcome from our Church Family. Our prayer is that the singing, teaching and preaching of the Word of God will meet a need in your heart and life.**

## **HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH**

**of Goodyear**

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**Men's Prayer Meeting 8:00 am**

**Sunday School for all ages 9:00 am**

**Morning Worship 10:00 am**

**Sunday Evening 6:00 pm**

**Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 pm**

# Harvest Baptist Church

of Goodyear

*'Where church still feels like church'*

## Worship Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer  
 Choir Special  
 At Calvary - 57  
 Chorus: He's Able - 261  
 Greetings & Brief Fellowship  
 Chorus: He's Able - 261  
 Announcements  
 Beneath the Cross of Jesus - 61  
 Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed? - 368  
 Offering and Offertory Ministry  
 The Old Rugged Cross - 56  
 Prayer  
 Special Music  
 Message: Pastor Cook  
 Invitation  
 Closing Prayer: Pastor Cook

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK  
 please pray for... THE LANTZ FAMILY  
 MISSIONARIES SERVING IN SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL



Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.  
 John 4:35

**ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES**  
 are available for use during the church services. Please see Robert in the sound booth if you wish to use this equipment.

## Events and Opportunities



**THANK YOU**  
 Thank you to all our church members who give of their time, energy and talents to keep our church looking nice.



Saturday April 29 - 9:45 AM

- Men's coffee fellowship—HBC Fellowship Hall : Tuesday 8:30 am
- Ladies' Discipleship class: Weekly on Thursdays at 10 AM.
- April 30th PM Service: Missionary Pastor Ryan Nez-Navajo Indian Reservation—Window Rock, will be speaking
- April 30th Sundae Sunday after the evening service
- "She's Got 'Purse'-sonality!" Ladies' Luncheon Saturday, May 6th, 12 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Sign-up sheet in the Foyer
- Sunday evening, May 7th, WCBC Tour Team will be preaching/singing. A meal will need to be provided after the evening service for the ministry group.

### April Anniversaries



Leonard 4/3  
 Gray 4/7  
 Kreger 4/7  
 Stone 4/20



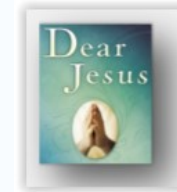
### April Birthdays

Kim Gray 4/3  
 Connie Ullman 4/5  
 Tony Werner 4/5  
 Fred Hill 4/7  
 Dave Bushaw 4/17  
 Wayne Tomlin 4/26



### OFFERING UPDATE

	For The Week of 3/26/2023 - 4/1/2023	Month Total March
General	7,522.37	29,168.78
Missions	975.00	4,291.00
TOTAL	8,497.37	33,459.78
Deacon Fund	.00	1,667.00
Special Projects	.00	1,100.00



Sarah Young

My deep desire is that you learn to depend on me in every situation I move heaven and earth to accomplish this purpose but you must collaborate with me in this training.

I love depending on you afterward when the task before me is too challenging for me to handle confidently I almost instinctively turn to you for help These are times when I'm perfectly aware of my inadequacy my need to depend on someone far greater than I They are scary moments times of having to act on my belief that you will not let me down These occasions of stepping out in faith feel very much like jumping off a cliff into open space trusting you to catch me in midair And you and you do That is why I feel jubilant after I have experienced your intervention rescuing me and enabling me to accomplish things I could never do alone.

Beloved, it is good that you have experienced My intervening help many times. Had you refused to "jump off the cliff" you would not have had those thrilling experiences. I hope your feelings of fear will diminish as I prove My faithfulness to you time after time. Let Me suggest the technique that can help: when you face an event that unnerves you, take time to affirm your trust in me - repeatedly, if need be. This takes your attention off yourself and your fear, helping you focus on Me and My great faithfulness.

Though I'm pleased by your willingness to depend on Me in tough situations, I desire much more from you. I want you to rely on Me even when you feel competent to handle a situation yourself. I have given you talents and abilities. When you utilize them, remember to do so thankfully, asking Me to help you use them wisely: according to My will. This collaborative way of doing things will not only help you accomplish more: it will also keep you close to Me—communing with Me, delighting in Me, enjoying Me.

**Philippians 4:13 Lamentations 3:23-23**