

BECOMING A CHILD
OF THE KING
PART 2
James 1:13-18



1) The _____ of the King

“When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone.” James 1:13 NIV

Who in the world would say: “God is tempting me”? God is holy and hates sin, why would He tempt anyone to sin?

“but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. ¹⁵Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.” James 1:14-15 NIV

One of the best things that could happen to us in life is that we realize we have a sinful, selfish dark-side. Why?

“For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.” Romans 7:18

Once we realize that we have a dark-side with selfish desires, our spiritual growth can blossom.

1) The _____ from the King.

“Don’t be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.”

James 1:16-17

All good things are to be enjoyed as gifts from God. They are like the moon; they only reflect the light. God, the creator is the Father of lights. All things come from Him and all things point to Him. He is the giver of gifts through Jesus Christ- the true light in whom there is no darkness at all. (1 John 1:5).

2) The _____ from the King.

“He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.” James 1:18 NIV

Children of the King have been given a new nature and the Holy Spirit so that we could live a life pleasing to our Heavenly Father.

- a) Living in defeat is not our fate.
- b) Rationalizing away our mistakes is not our ways.
- c) We don’t blame others for our mistakes.
- d) We don’t live with a victim mentality.
- e) The sinful nature has no power over us.
- f) The devil has no power over us.
- g) When we sin, we can own it.
- h) Our identity is based in our true self. (Rom. 7:17).

“This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!” 2 Cor. 5:17