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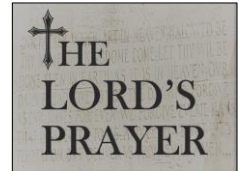
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What makes temptations so tempting?
- † What does Jesus' instruction to pray "lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil" (Mt. 6:13) reveal about us and about our need?
What does it reveal about our Heavenly Father to whom we pray?
- † Can or would God lead us into temptation (cf. 1 Cor. 10:13; Ja. 1:2-3, 13-15)? Based on your answer, what do you believe Jesus is instructing us to pray for in the phrase "Lead us not into temptation"?
- † What has God already done about evil? What is God doing about it today? What will God ultimately do?
- † Why can and should we add the common doxology onto the Lord's Prayer: "For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, amen"?
- † How does this petition apply not only to each of us as individuals, but also to our congregation and the larger Church? If you were to pray this for Calvin Church, what would you include in your requests?
- † What is one place in your life where you are facing temptation? What would it look like if God led you not into this place but delivered you?
- † Where do you see the Evil One at work in our world today? How does the reality of evil impact your life at present? What would it look like if God were to deliver you? How can and will you pray for this?
- † What is one way you will incorporate the Lord's Prayer into your spiritual practices this week (e.g., use as a framework for my daily prayers; recite repeatedly & meditatively throughout my day; focus on one petition each day through the week)? How can your small group support you in this practice?

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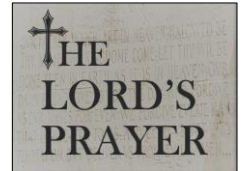
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