

This morning, we continue in our *Out of the Question* sermon series, looking at questions God asks when we face this world's temptations.

Christian, do you feel them, how they work within, striving, tempting, luring, goading into sin?

As believers, we live in a spiritual battlefield, with the enemy's voice constantly attempting to ensnare us. If we do not stay on our guard, sin can have devastating consequences. To borrow a phrase from our visiting Boy Scouts this morning, we must be prepared.

Ability to resist temptation is directly proportionate to your submission to God. —Ed Cole

As we worship our hero of heaven who conquered the grave, let us commit to not only avoid the voices of temptation, but also to actively demonstrate care to those around us. When we do the kindly deed and comfort the one in need, as our children sing, we can counteract some of the sinful inclinations of this world.

Christian, never tremble; never be downcast. Arming for the battle, watch, and pray, and fast!

Bell Prelude:

Victory!

J. Honoré

The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions has dispersed; let shouts of holy joy outburst: Alleluia!

Welcome and Greeting One Another

Choral Call to Worship:

You and I

N. Sleeth

***Congregational Songs of Praise:**

- 1) *O for a Thousand Tongues*
- 2) *Great Things*

C. Wesley, C. G. Glaser, et al
J. Myrin, P. Wickham

Sacrament of Baptism:

Thomas David McClay, *son of Bret and Chelsea McClay*

Congregational Response:

Jesus Loves Me

A. B. Warner, et al

Offertory Invitation

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Choral Offertory:

Christians! Do You See Them?

L. Pfautsch

Christian! do you see them on the holy ground, how the powers of darkness rage your steps around?
Christian, up and smite them, counting gain but loss, in the strength and triumph of the holy cross.

Spiritual warfare against the external world,

Christian, do you feel them, how they work within, striving, tempting, luring, goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble; never be downcast. Strengthen for the battle, watch, and pray, and fast!

and against temptations from within.

Christian, do you hear them, how they speak today? Always fast and vigil, always watch and pray.
Christian, answer boldly, "While I breathe I pray!" Peace shall follow battle, night shall end in day.

We guard against backsliding.

*Well I know your trouble, O my servant true; you are very weary, I was weary too;
but that toil shall make you some day all my own, and the end of sorrow shall be near my throne.*

Encouragement from the One who was tempted in every way, yet was without sin.

Amen.

Prayer of Dedication and Preparation for the Word

***Hymn of Preparation:**

In Adam We Have All Been One

M. H. Franzmann, et al

Scripture Lesson:

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Genesis 4: 1-10

A Message for Living:

"Loving Others Well"

Rev. Mike Kenyon, Executive Associate Pastor for Evangelism, Discipleship and Multiplication
Out of the Question#4 (see Sermon Notes on back)

Prayer for Renewal and Help // Opportunities to Connect, Grow and Serve

Bereavement

For Ken Konechy and family in the death of his daughter, Sandra Konechy.
For family and friends of Carol Holte.

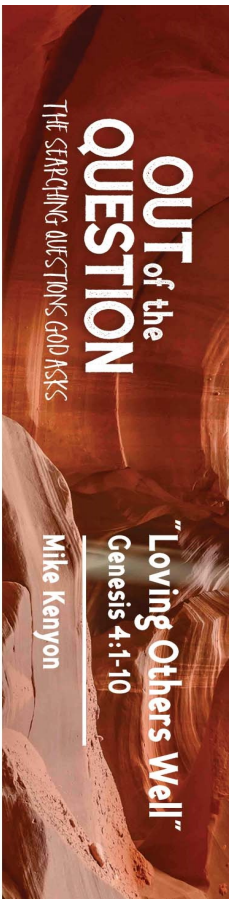
***Congregational Song of Discipleship:**

Give Us Your Heart

J. Richards, J. Merritt, et al

Charge and Benediction // Organ Postlude: *In Adam We Have All Been One

H. Willan



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1. Cain presented his offering out of _____, whereas Abel gave his very best to _____ the Lord.

2. God created human beings to share His _____; with those who are _____,

3. The Apostle John urged believers to not be led _____ by evil, but instead to _____ one another.

Jesus said... "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35

4. The world watches how we _____ the Name of Jesus: how we _____ with one another and how we _____ those who don't know Jesus.

Because God is...the Creator of every person I have ever (or have never) met, I am...designed for community & relationships.

Because God is...righteous and holy, I am...to put off the yolk of sin and live in obedience to Christ.

Because God is...compassionate and generous (with me), I am...compelled to show love and be charitable to others.

God was willing to share his love with us. Our response is to share God's love with others.

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