

# THE TEMPTATION TO TRIVIALIZE SIN

(Three Must-Win Battles Every Christian Faces)

Matthew 4:5-7

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*How do we test God?*

*A. Sin while expecting God's forgiveness.*

*B. Take risks with the goal of manipulating God.*

*C. Forget the difference between guilt and consequences.*

How can we honor the Lord?

I. Remember the Lord's goodness. (Deuteronomy 6:10-12)

II. Fear the Lord. (Deuteronomy 6:13-15)

— Romans 6:1 | Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? (NLT)

— Romans 6:2 | Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it? (NLT)

— Proverbs 16:6 | By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the Lord one turns away from evil. (ESV)

III. Be careful and wise. (Deuteronomy 6:17-18)