Pastor Brandon Sales • March 18-19, 2023 • <u>Fill-In Online Bulletin</u> Lead Us Not Into Temptation • <u>Matthew 6:13</u>

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. (Matthew 6:13)

In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. (John 16:33)

Follow Me

Jesus called out to them, "Come, follow me..." (Matthew 4:19) "Lead us..." (Matthew 6:13)

Believe

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Prayer Focus #1

Praying "lead us..." is a proclamation of who you desire to take charge of your life. Praying in this way strengthens your belief in the reality that God is God and you are not.

Sin Now, Ask for Forgiveness Later

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? (Romans 6:1-2)

Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. (James 1:13-14)

Temptation vs. God

God's power and authority outweigh and surround Satan's attempts to coerce us into sin and destruction.

Prayer Focus #2

Praying "lead us not into temptation" is declaring our hatred for sin and desire for God's commands to be followed. Praying this way is asking God to help us avoid and overcome temptation, while also trusting that if temptation comes, God can use it for good.

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Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. (1 Peter 5:8)

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. (John 10:10)

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. (Romans 8:37)

Prayer Focus #3

When we pray "deliver us from evil", we acknowledge that there is an enemy that we desire to stay vigilant against, as we grow in awareness that our Heavenly Father was, is, and forever will be victorious over this enemy and has empowered us to defeat him for the rest of our days.

What's happening with the Lighthouse family...

Because relationship with one another is at the core of being a disciple of Christ, we invite you to find community and experience spiritual transformation through LCC's groups, classes, events, and service opportunities.

Men's Breakfast: For all men. No need to register. Come as you are. 8:00am on Saturday, March 25. Learn more about LCC's ministries for men at <u>www.lighthousehome.org/men</u>.

Baptism Class: This class is for anyone interested in learning about baptism at LCC. 9:00am on Sunday, March 26. Visit <u>www.lighthousehome.org/baptism</u> to read more and for a link to register. Baptisms will be celebrated during Easter weekend services on April 8-9.

Building Bridges with Your Muslim Neighbor: Discover how you can love and care for your Muslim neighbors. 12:30pm-3:30pm on Sunday, March 26. This class is hosted by Pastor Paul Moffett. A light lunch will be served. Visit <u>www.lighthousehome.org/building-bridges</u> for more details and a link to register.

Easter Weekend (April 8-9)

• Holy Week Prayer Experience at 6:00pm on Wednesday, April 5: This event is an all-church, family-friendly experience. For a full description and a link to register, visit <u>www.lighthousehome.org/holy-week</u>.

• Good Friday Service at 7:00pm on Friday, April 7: Join us as we consider the sufferings of Jesus and the price He paid for our forgiveness.

• Easter Celebration Services: Saturday at 6:00pm. Sunday at 8:30am, 10:00am (ASL), and 11:30am. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/easter for all the details.

eNews: Sign up for LCC's weekly eNews. Get special announcements and messages from our pastors and Leadership Team, updates and emergency notices, and a first look at upcoming groups, classes, and events. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/enews to sign up.

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