

Lord's Prayer

Sixth Petition

And lead us not into temptation

Read Genesis 3, Matthew 4:1-11, James 1:13, John 16:33, 1 Corinthians 10:13, 2 Peter 2:9

For a more in depth look at the Catechism, you can read Luther's explanation in the Large Catechism found in the Book of Concord or online at

<http://www.bookofconcord.org/lc-5-ourfather.php>

1. In the Small Catechism, Martin Luther wrote that temptations come from "the devil, the world, and our sinful self." Talk about some of the temptations of the world and of ourselves.
2. Watch the video and discuss the temptations that come from the devil. To help get you started, look at Genesis 3 and see what the very first words out of the devil's mouth were.
3. Why do you think the temptations of the devil are actually the sneakiest and most destructive temptations?
4. The video says that "the target of all temptation is the First Commandment." Talk about that statement and why that is the case. To help you answer, remember the First Commandment is about idolatry, and not having any other gods, or idols, than the one, true God.
 - a. What are some of the idols in your life?
 - b. How do those idols tempt you, or put a wedge between you and God's promise for you?
5. What is the one, sure way to fight these temptations? Talk about your answer to this question. Who are you focusing on in your answer - you or Jesus?