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And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Each phrase of the Lord's prayer shows us a topic that the Lord wants us to talk to Him about in prayer. "Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil," expresses our need for protection from evil within us and evil outside of us.

Day 1. Why do you think that Jesus tells us to pray "Lead me not into temptation? (The word "temptation," means anything that tempts us to sin; sometimes it means "trial or affliction," anything that "tests" our faithfulness or our integrity.)

Luke 22:40-46 What does Jesus tell the disciples to do so that they would not fall into temptation? What might the disciples have been tempted to do at this time?

Are you aware of areas of your life where you are being tempted?

Day 2. We need to pray, "Lord, lead me not into temptation and deliver me from evil" because we need a humble awareness of our vulnerability to sin.

Look at how David expressed this attitude in Psalm 19:12-14. Notice how David prays. Write out this prayer in your own words.

What heart attitudes are expressed in this prayer?

Day 3. Why would Jesus tell us to pray, "Deliver us from evil?"

In John 17 Jesus is praying for His disciples. Notice in vs. 20 that Jesus says He is also praying for us! In vs. 15, what does Jesus ask of the Father?

Read the context—vs. 13-18. Why is Jesus praying this (vs. 15)?

Day 4. Spiritual warfare is a battle between two kingdoms. How do these Scriptures describe this battle?

Satan's kingdom battles against God's kingdom. Ephesians 6:11-13

My flesh (selfish nature) battles against the Holy Spirit in me. Galatians 5:17

Day 5. Read Matthew 4:1-11. What can we learn from Jesus as He overcame temptation to sin and the devil? What did He use to fight the devil's temptations?

What stood out to you from this lesson? How will you apply what you've seen?