

# 1 Corinthians 26 – 10:7-15

## Take Heed and Flee

### 1. 10:7-11 – The Law Applied to Corinth

- a. 10:7-10 are examples from OT Israel appropriate for Corinth to learn - Rom 15:4
- b. Tempting = not to sin, but to provoke, to test his word. Num 21:4-6, Exo 17:2-3
- c. Jesus was tempted to sin Mat 4:6-7 and quoted the law of tempting - Deut 6:16-17
- d. Abusing liberty to sin is shameful and tempts God - Rom 3:8, 6:115, Gal 2:21
- e. The law is good; it is sin that is bad – Romans 7:7-14
- f. The law does not solve the sin problem; Christ does - Romans 8:2-4
- g. The law has no affect on a righteous man or a dead man – 1 Tim 1:5-11
- h. All scripture is profitable; we must rightly divide the doctrine – 10:11, 2 Tim 3:16

### 2. 10:12 - Take Heed

- a. “thinketh he standeth” – we will stand before God, we stand in grace Rom 5:2
- b. We also stand against the wiles of the devil - Eph 6:10-11
- c. Using the word of God you will discern good and evil - Heb 5:13-15
- d. By being puffed up they are preparing for the fall – 1 Cor 8:2, 1 Tim 3:6-7, 6:9
- e. What falling looks like→ Confusing the law and sin.
- f. Pride produces a self-justification for sin; it is a subtle and dangerous slide.
- g. Even if you are able “go farther”, it means others will trip after you – Rom 14:4

### 3. 10:13 – Common Temptation

- a. Temptation to sin does not come from God – Rom 5:12, Jam 1:13, 14
- b. If greater men have all failed, why so confident? - Heb 2:18, 4:15
- c. That everyone has been taken by temptation, does not justify it – Rom 3:10
- d. “above that ye are able” - this is not moral hazard; God will let you fail - Gal 6:7
- e. Your situation is a result of past choices, choose wisely: Col 1:9-10
- f. The escape is right doctrine working in you – Eph 6:13-15, 1 Thess 2:13
- g. “to bear it” is not magical, and it doesn’t depend on you – Phil 4:13
- h. You have the reason, the means, and the hope to deal with sin in Christ.

### 4. 10:14-15 - Fleeing From ...

- a. “Flee” If it has no power then why are we running away? 1 Tim 6:11
- b. If idols are nothing (1 Cor 8:4-5) then why do we flee? - 1 Cor 6:19-20, 10:22
- c. Strength is not how many punches you take; it’s never starting the fight.
- d. Prudence does not look for the edge, but for solid ground to build on.
- e. “as to wise men” – Paul wants them to judge, though he knows they are babes.
- f. Wise men judge; simple men can’t – 1 Cor 2:15 (Mat 7:1 is about hypocrisy)