

## OPEN

- What's the toughest test (or exam) you ever have taken? When was it, and what type of test was it?
- Are you a good test-taker? How do you usually respond to taking tests?

In the Bible, the words for “test,” “trial,” and “temptation” are the same. The *Expository Dictionary of the Bible* says, “a temptation is a difficult situation, a pressure that brings a reaction through which the character or commitment of a believer is demonstrated.” Remember that its through temptations and trials that Satan wants to challenge and undermine our character and commitment.

## DISCUSS: How Satan attacks us...

- A) Satan attacks through nature (Job 1:19)
  - B) Satan attacks through physical diseases and sickness (Job 2:7)
  - C) Satan attacks through wicked people (Ephesians 6:12)
  - D) Satan attacks through false accusations
- *Discuss and reflect on each of the forms of attack above. Which one of these schemes are you dealing with now in your life?*
  - *What did the passages and sermon teach us about how we can best address Satan's attacks?*
  - *How can your group better support and encourage one another when members are under attack?*

## DISCUSS: What the Bible says about Hell...

- 1) First, Hell is an eternal fire (Mark 9:43 )
- 2) Secondly, the Bible speaks about Hell as being outer darkness (Matthew 25:30)
- 3) The third phrase that describes the reality of Hell is the second death (Rev. 20:14)

## WHY BELIEVERS SHOULD BELIEVE IN HELL:

- 1) It motivates us to holy living (Matthew 10:28)
  - 2) It motivates us to sharing the Good News with others (Romans 9:3)
  - 3) It deepens our love for Jesus Christ
- *What new insights do these passages (and the sermon) teach you about hell?*
  - *Why is the reality of hell important for us as Christians to understand?*
  - *How do these insights about hell effect your daily life and relationship with Christ?*

## CLOSE IN PRAYER

**“Satan's Brutal Schemes Part 2”**

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*“The serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made.” (Genesis 3:1)*

