How to Short-Circuit Temptation

Grace Group Guide

FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER

- 1. How has the last week been? Go around the room and ask, "How are the Smith's?"
- 2. Is there anything from our last meeting that you've seen working in real life?

GROW IN MATURITY TOGETHER

Read together from 1 Corinthians 10:1-13. Then watch the video.

Even in the best of <u>circumstances</u>, we can still make the worst of <u>decisions</u>.

THE PROGRESSION TOWARD MORAL FAILURE...

- 1. They <u>craved</u> evil things.
- 2. They <u>worshipped</u> idols.
- 3. They <u>acted</u> on their lusts.
- 4. They <u>tested</u> the limits of God's wrath.
- 5. They <u>grumbled</u> about God's nature.

HOW TO SHORT-CIRCUIT TEMPTATION ON THE WAY TO MORAL FAILURE..

- Beware of your own <u>tendency</u> to choose sin.
- Realize you are in good <u>company</u>.
- Rejoice in God's <u>faithful character</u>.
- Take the earliest <u>escape</u> route available to you.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- How can you tell when temptation is approaching? And how does being aware of your weaknesses help you in the battle?
- How has someone else, or a group of people, helped you battle temptation? Or how have you helped someone else?
- What can we celebrate about God's character in relationship to temptation? How is He faithful?
- How have you chosen an escape route that resulted in short-circuiting temptation?
- What works for you? How do you prepare for the battle? How do you win the battle?

SERVE IN MINISTRY TOGETHER

- 1. Who, within our group, might have a need we can meet together?
- 2. How can we, as a group, serve together in the next three to four weeks?

BE ON MISSION TOGETHER

- 1. Is there anyone we know that might like to be part of this group that isn't involved in a Grace Group now?
- 2. Who can we pray for during our group time that needs Jesus in their life?

3. V	Vho can YOU invite to Grace Hills or this Grace Group with you?
1. S	HIP TOGETHER hare stories of how God has answered prayer, either for yourself or as you have brayed for other people.

3. Pray together for any needs the group expresses. Invite several people pray, but don't

2. Praise God as a group for these answers.

require anyone to pray out loud who isn't comfortable.