February 21, 2021 I Corinthians 10:1-13 "Taking Aim Part II"

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

By way of recap, in the first five verses the advisement is to **avert dangers**. In verses six through ten, the teaching at hand is, **acknowledge warnings**. The warnings were to **avoid:** evil cravings, idolatry, trying God, and, avoid grumbling! Finally in verses eleven through thirteen Paul directs the reader's attention to making **accurate assessments**, God will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you can handle without making a way of escape. It is by His strength that believers endure/escape whatever temptation may come.

APPLICATION:

Our focus today is on the latter part of our pericope, verses 10-13. Temptations to sin are common to man. Eve was tempted by the serpent, she desired the fruit that would make one wise. Temptation got the best of her and this was the beginning of the fall of man. On the other hand, Jesus was tempted just as we are, yet without sin. Paul is reminding us that there is a way out, it is a promise made by the Lord. The question is, will we make an accurate assessment of the situations we find ourselves in and lean totally upon the faithfulness of God to see us through? There are three traps that cause one to fall to the temptation rather than having victory in Jesus, I John 2:16a lists them out for us, "... the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life"(NASB) God is faithful, trust Him.