

Avoid the danger zones.

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, Ephesians 5:15 (ESV)

Don't be a Lone Ranger.

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. James 5:16 (ESV)

And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell. Matthew 5:30 (ESV)

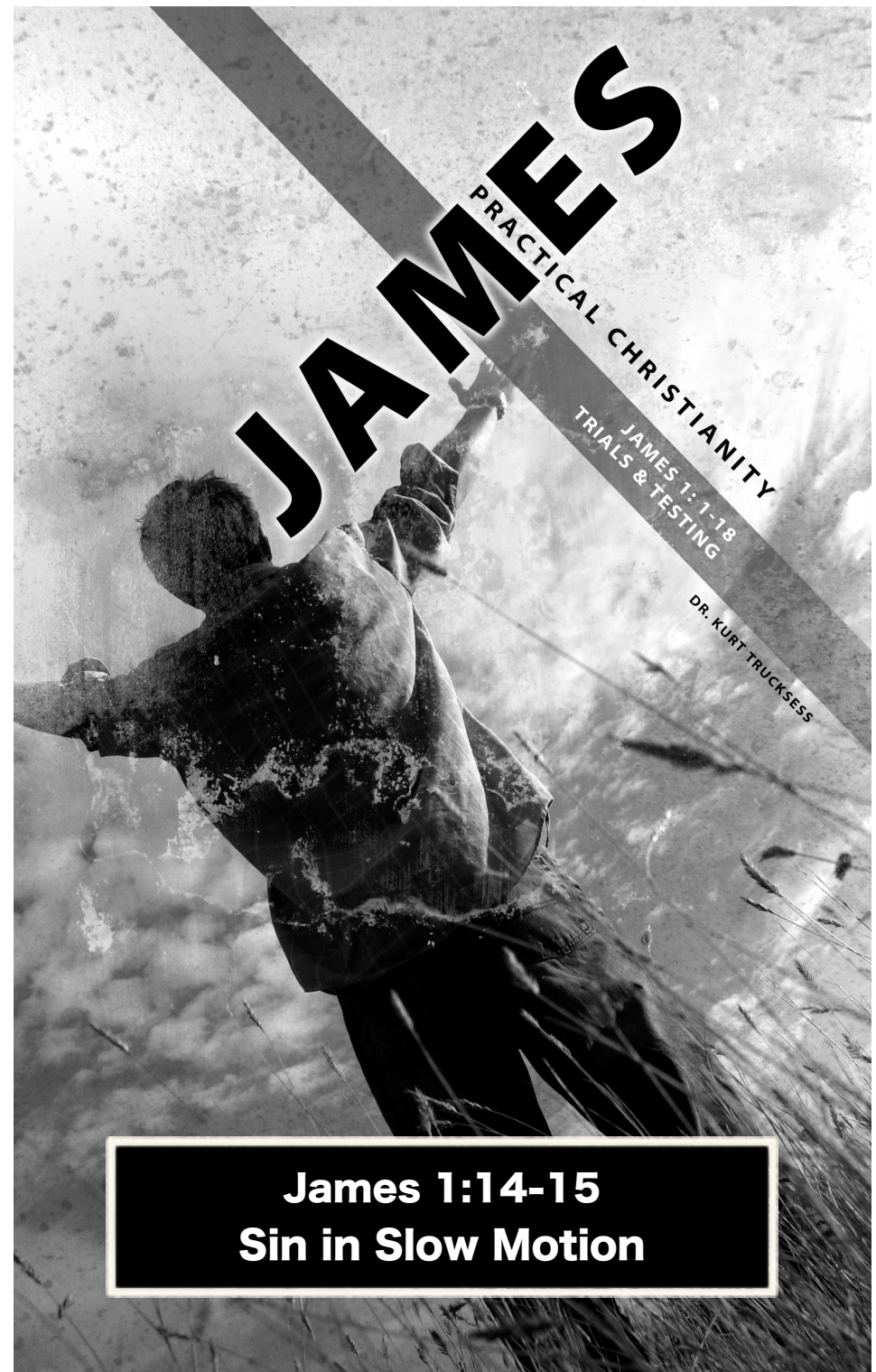
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Two Weeks: James 1:16-18 - Our God is...



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James 1:14-15 - Sin in Slow Motion

Sin in slow motion.

The set up for sin - The look, lust and lure

...but each person is tempted when he is lured...

...by his own desire...

...when he is lured and enticed by his own desires...

There is supernatural power available to us.

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. Ephesians 6:10–11 (ESV)

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.... So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. Romans 7:14–17,21 (ESV)

...How can we who died to sin still live in it? Romans 6:2 (ESV)

The decision to sin - The feeling, rationalizing and choosing

Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin...

The devastation of sin - The sin, growth, death

...when it fully grows brings forth death...

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Romans 6:12 (ESV)

And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will. 2 Timothy 2:24–26 (ESV)

A ready defense against temptation.

Remember that God filters temptations.

Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. 1 Corinthians 10:12–13 (ESV)

“Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.” Luke 22:31–32 (ESV)