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# RE- FLECTING GOD

**09/27/12 - Escape or Endure?**

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1 Corinthians 10:1-13

The key to 1 Corinthians 10:13 is often misquoted, saying "God will not put anything on us that we cannot bear." That is a half-truth. Trials and temptations are part of our human experience. We live in a world tainted by sin because of choices that Eve and Adam made. Both good and bad things happen to all of us, sinner and saint alike.

Three principles influence our circumstances. First, "God is faithful." Second, "when you are tempted," since all of us will face temptation. Third, "he [God] will also provide . . ." In the midst of our human experiences, consider your situation, then remember God's solution. God will do one of two things: allow you to escape or support you to endure.

Most of us prefer escape to endurance. William James writes, "Most people never run far enough on their first wind to find out they've got a second." In the face of temptation or trial, have you caught your second wind?