

- (1) The true condition of the poor 1:9
- (2) The transiency of riches 1:10,11
- e. Reward for stedfastness in trial 1:12
  - (1) The donar of the reward: The LOrd Jesus
  - (2) The certainty of the reward: Christ has promised it.
  - (3) The recipients of the reward: those who love the Saviour and faithfully cling to Him.
- 2. Temptations within 1:13-21
  - a. The Temptation to Evil 1:13-16
    - (1) The source of temptation 1:13,14
      - (a) Negatively: it is not of God 1:13
      - (b) Positively: it is of man 1:14
    - (2) The dread consequence of temptation 1:15
    - (3) The deceptiveness of temptation 1:16
  - b. Victory over temptation 1:17-21
    - (1) Our ally: Almighty God 1:17
      - (a) His title: Father of lights
      - (b) His nature: He is faithful.
      - (c) His generosity: He is the giver of all good.
    - (2) Our vantage-point for victory 1:18
      - (a) That God is the responsible agent: He "be-gat" us.
      - (b) That God utilizes the Word of truth.
      - (c) That God now regards His children as exam-plars.
    - (3) A challenge to victory 1:19-21
      - (a) The tongue 1:19
      - (b) The heart 1:21