



ASK IT

Edged Out

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The Question: _____

Living on the Edge?

1. Living on the edge can seem normal

- When consequences are minor
- It is unwise - Margin series

2. Jesus taught us to move away from the edge

- Bad moral decisions are generally preceded by a series of unwise decisions
- Run from temptation

Keep watch and pray, so that you will not give in to temptation. For the spirit is willing, but the body is weak!"

Matthew 26:41 NLT

¹⁴ Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. ¹⁵ These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.

James 1:14-15 NLT

¹⁸ Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. ¹⁹ Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, ²⁰ for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.

1 Corinthians 6:18-20 NLT

3. Pre-plan what you will do when tempted

- Know your weaknesses
- God gives strength to stand against temptation

The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure.

1 Corinthians 10:13 NLT

Next Steps:

- ☐ Commit to "Ask It" when faced with decisions, problems, and opportunities
- ☐ Evaluate where temptation is strongest in my life and seek wisdom to stand against it
- ☐ Commit to move away from "the edge" as I seek the wise thing to do
- ☐ Attend or listen to the rest of the "Ask It" series
- ☐ _____