

The Devil Made Me Do It Part 1: "Do I Even Have A Choice"

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"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry."

Matthew 4:1-2 (NLT)

I CHOOSE TO USE MY TEMPTATIONS FOR PERSONAL GROWTH WHEN I...

1...TAKE _____ OF MY

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	"Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away." James 1:14 (NLT
	"But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows." 1 Timothy 6:9-10 (NLT)
2.	WHERE I'M

"And <u>don't let us yield</u> to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one."

Matthew 6:13 (NLT)

"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)

"... So to keep me from becoming proud, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger from Satan to torment me and keep me from becoming proud. Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away. Each time he said, 'My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness.' So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me."

2 Corinthians 12:7b-9 (NLT)

3.	AM	NOT

"This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him."

2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (NLT)

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

Romans 12:2 (NIV)