

Character *in* CRISIS

Study Guide Questions—*Tip Lewis and His Lamp* Chapters 10 & 11

1. Each year Tip looks forward to going to the circus. However, this year things are a little different—Tip is different! Tip is strongly tempted to attend the circus; however, he opens his Bible for help on page 110. Which one of the following verses should he have followed?

- a. **Philippians 4:4**
- b. **2nd Corinthians 5:13**
- c. **Proverbs 4:14-15**
- d. **Psalm 119:99**

2. On page 116, Tip was walking near the circus. He heard the voice of conviction in his heart but justified himself in his mind. “Lots of good people are doing it,” he reasoned, “and besides! I’m not ‘actually going in.’” In this specific instance, Tip would have done well to remember which verse(s)?

- a. **“Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak” (Mark 14:38).**
- b. **“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God” (Romans 12:2).**
- c. **“The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe” (Proverbs 29:25).**
- d. **“They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world” (John 17:16).**

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3. On page 119 Tip took a stand for what was right; pressing both hands to his ears, he ran from temptation. Falling to his knees in a secluded place in the woods, Tip pours out his heart before the Lord and begs for forgiveness. He rests in the comfort of Nehemiah 9:17b. Take a moment to read the verse. Which of the following verses would also have brought comfort to Tip? Circle all that apply.

a. **“But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)” (Ephesians 2:4-5).**

b. **“But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth” (Psalm 86:15).**

c. **“Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger forever, because he delighteth in mercy” (Micah 7:18).**

d. **“It is of the LORD’s mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness” (Lamentations 3:22-23).**

4. Did you know that Nehemiah 9:17b is also in another verse in the Old Testament? Look up the following verses and circle which verse is identical twins with Nehemiah 9:17b!

a. **Psalm 46:1**

b. **Proverbs 3:26**

c. **Psalm 15:4**

d. **Jonah 4:2**

5. Proverbs 4:14-15 gives six instructions on how to deal with temptation. Take some time to read the verses and see if you can list all six. As you write them out, consider if there is anything in your life that you need to avoid, and commit these verses to memory. A good soldier always has an arsenal of weaponry! Verses work in the same way. When we memorize God’s Word, we are arming ourselves against temptation! Next time you are tempted, remember these verses.