

03.31.2019 Season: **Lent** Sunday gathering **#730**
Series: **Forty Days of Clarity**
Sermon: **What is Stronger Than Might?**

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Prove it.

Second Temptation Matthew 4:5-7 p. 676

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. **6** “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written:

“He will command his angels concerning you,
and they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.”

7 Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Observations

Focus:

Method:

Confidence:

The temptation:

The Christian response:

“Blessed are the _____, for they will be shown _____.”
Matt. 5:7

“...go and learn what this means: “I desire _____.”
Matt. 9:13

“Shouldn’t you have had _____ on your fellow servant...?”
Matt. 18:33

“...you have neglected the more important matters of the law -
justice, _____ and faithfulness. Matt. 23:23

“Jesus...said, ‘Go home...tell them how [the Lord] has had
_____ on you. Mark 5:19

“The expert in the law replied, ‘The one who had _____
on him.’ Jesus replied, ‘Go and do likewise.’” Luke 10:35

“ _____ triumphs over judgement.” James 2:13

Respond: go deeper.

- . There are just three weeks remaining in Lent. Will you be making any adjustments to your practice?
- . Have you battled- or do you currently battle - with a sense that you need to prove something to someone? What’s that about?
- . Re-read Matthew 4:5-7 and comment on the three “observations.”
- . How would you characterize the second temptation?
- . Respond to the claim that _____ is stronger than might; that it is the Christian response.