

Evil's False Face

Revelation 17:1-6

Temptation comes
appearing to be alluring beauty,
pretending to provide something good,
offering pleasant and harmless stimulation.

But Father, help me to see evil for what it
really is and
always is:

destructive,
ugly,
cruel,
corrupt, and
deadly.

Its appeal is a pretense,
always shallow and
always a lie.

It is unable to give anything
good or
lasting.

It is impotent,
unwise,
unbeautiful, and
unloving.

The tempter is a sworn enemy of all that is good.

His purpose is always to
steal,
kill, and
destroy (John 10:10).

Following him always leads to
disappointment and
failure.

But Father, I cannot handle temptation on my own.

When it comes, help me to immediately
turn to You and
trust You to deliver me.

And when I fail,
help me to repent immediately,
knowing that You are always eager to
forgive and
restore completely.

You are good, Father, and

Your love endures forever!

Hymn: Soldiers of Christ, Arise

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