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After his conversion, a young man decided he could no longer participate in the wild holiday parties thrown by his friends. He said, "Whenever a party came along, instead of sitting at home by myself, I went to visit a Christian friend until everything was over. By doing this, I was saved from the temptations that had given me so much trouble, and those times of temptation actually became times of refreshing from the Lord."

1 Cor 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

A wounded soldier had received an emergency furlough to visit his ailing wife. On the way home his papers were stolen from his pocket, making it possible that he might be arrested as a deserter. While on the train, he found a wallet, ironically containing another soldier's furlough and travel papers. A friend told him to use them as his own. "You're a fool if you don't." But the man had Christian principles and remembered his godly wife, and his praying mother, and decided he couldn't go home and look either of them in the face unless he went in an honest way.

He turned in the lost wallet and presented his predicament at the nearest military office. They contacted Washington to verify his furlough and issued him new papers. In addition, they gave him some money and tickets to different hotels, where he could be taken kind care of along the way without cost. He arrived home in comfort and with a good conscience.

When the enemy gets in your way, look for the escape that God provides, it will always lead you to a blessed end.