

Journal Page

List some temptations you face. Then write a short prayer, asking God for strength to fight temptation.



FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What are some ways we can respond when we are tempted?
- Why is it important that Jesus was tempted and never sinned?



Jesus Was Tempted

Matthew 4:1-11

MAIN POINT: JESUS WAS TEMPTED AND NEVER SINNED.

After Jesus was baptized, He was led by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the Devil. Jesus did not eat for 40 days and 40 nights. When those days were over, Jesus was hungry.

Then the Devil came up to Jesus. He said, “If You are really God’s Son, prove it. Tell these stones to become bread.”

But Jesus refused. Jesus chose to trust God to meet His needs. Jesus said, “God’s Word says: Man must not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

The Devil tempted Jesus again. He took Jesus to Jerusalem to the top of the temple. The Devil said, “If You are really God’s Son, prove it. Jump off this temple and trust God to protect You.” Then the Devil said: “God’s Word says: God will order His angels to keep You safe.”

The Devil had used words from Scripture, but Jesus knew the Devil’s command was foolish. Jesus reminded him, “God’s Word also says: Do not test the Lord your God.”

Finally, the Devil took Jesus to a high mountain. He showed Jesus all the kingdoms of the world. The Devil said to Jesus, “I will give You all the riches and power of these kingdoms. If You want them, all You have to do is fall down and worship me.”

Jesus resisted temptation again. He replied, “Go away, Satan! God’s Word says: Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only.”

The Devil left Jesus, and angels came right away to serve Jesus. Throughout all these temptations, Jesus never sinned.

Christ Connection: Jesus was tempted, but He trusted God and never sinned. Jesus is perfect and righteous. A perfect sacrifice was required to take away sin. Jesus was that perfect sacrifice. He died on the cross to free us from sin and to give us the power to say no to temptation.

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It is Written ...

Use the code to fill in the words Jesus said when He was tempted to sin.



Man must not live on
 _____ alone

but on every _____

that comes from the mouth of

Matthew 4:4

Do not _____

the _____

your _____

Matthew 4:7

the Lord your God, and

only Him.
Matthew 4:10

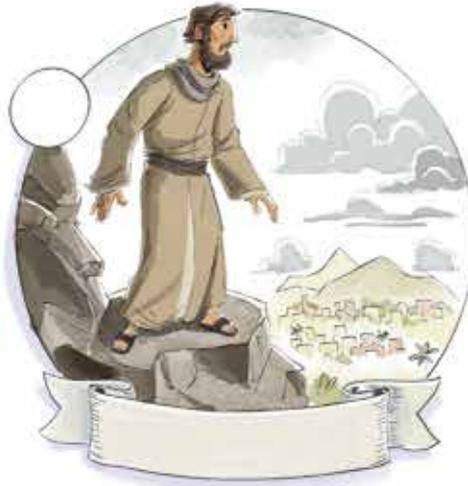
What Happened Next?

Number the pictures in the order the events happened. Then label each picture with the Scripture reference describing the scene.

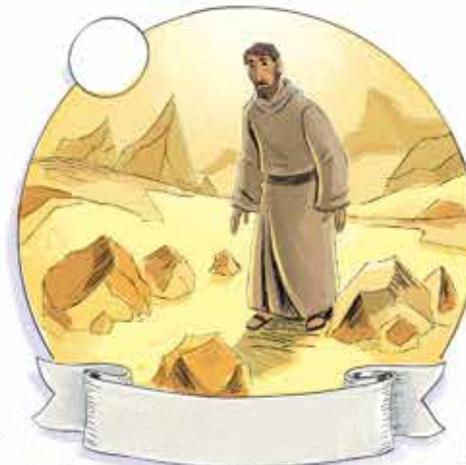
Matthew 4:2



Matthew 4:3



Matthew 4:5-6



Matthew 4:8-9

