LIFENOTES
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Series: The Invisible War
"Taming Temptation"

TEMPTATION OF JESUS—Luke 4:1-13

PRIME CONDITIONS FOR TEMPTATION

1. When I am spiritually _____.

   Luke 4:1 *"Jesus, **full of the Holy Spirit**, left the Jordan …"* (NIV)

2. When I am quietly _____.

   Luke 4:1b-2a *"… and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days He was tempted by the Devil …"* (NIV)

3. When I am physically _____.

   Luke 4:2b *"… He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them He was hungry."* (NIV)

   1 Peter 5:8 *"Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour." (NIV)*

TYPES OF TEMPTATION

1. The temptation to _____ without God.

   Luke 4:3 *"The devil said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."* (NIV)

   Luke 4:4 "Jesus answered, "*It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone.'"*

   Deuteronomy 8:2-3 *"2 Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the desert these forty years, to humble you and to test you **in order to know what was in your heart**, whether or not you would keep His commands. 3 He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, which neither you nor your ancestors had known, to teach you that **man does not live on bread alone** but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord."*

2. The temptation to _____ God's will.

   Luke 4:5-7 "*5 The devil led Him up to a high place and showed Him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. 6 And he said to Him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. 7 If you worship me, it will all be yours."*

   Luke 4:8 *"Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only.'" (NIV)*

   Deuteronomy 6:13 *"Fear the Lord your God, serve Him only and take your oaths in His name." (NIV)*

3. The temptation to _____ God.

   Luke 4:9-11 "9 The devil led Him to Jerusalem and had Him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. 10 For it is written: 'He will command His angels concerning you to guard you carefully; 11 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'" (NIV)

   Luke 4:12 "Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" (NIV)

   Deuteronomy 6:16 "Do not put the LORD your God to the test as you did at Massah." (NIV)

HOW JESUS TAMED TEMPATION

1. He _____ the Word of God.

   2 Timothy 3:16-17 "16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." (NIV)

2. He _____ the Word of God.

   1 John 3:21-22 "21 Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God 22 and receive from Him anything we ask, because we **keep His commands** and **do what pleases him**." (NIV)

3. He _____ the Word of God.

   Romans 15:13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you **trust in Him**, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

BOTTOM LINE

Luke 4:13 *"When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left Him until an **opportune time**."* (NIV)

1. Temptation is _____. **Matthew 18:7**
2. Temptation is _____. **1 Corinthians 10:13**
3. Temptation that turns into sin is _____. **Heb 4:15-16**

Hebrews 2:18 "Because He himself suffered when He was **tempted**, He is able to help those who are being **tempted**." (NIV)

Jude 24-25 "24 To Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy—25 to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen." (NIV)