



THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS

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SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: Luke 4:1-13

MAIN POINT: The validity of Jesus Christ as God's Messiah is under intense scrutiny.

KEY IDEAS: Jesus faces unique temptations to abandon his calling and mission. What kind of son will he be?

1. WHAT DO THE TEMPTATIONS MEAN TO JESUS?

- Temptation to turn aside from obedience to God.
- Temptation to turn aside from faithfulness to God.
- Temptation to turn aside from trusting in God.

2. WHAT DO THE TEMPTATIONS OF JESUS MEAN TO US?

- We have a Saviour whose work is complete.
- We have a high priest who continues to work on our behalf.

FELLOWSHIP STARTERS:

Truth Reigns...

1. How is this text supposed to function for us in our battle against the temptations we face?

Humility Grows...

2. When you are tempted to sin what is the first thing you normally do to counter that temptation?
3. What are some of the particular reasons you don't go to the high priest first?
4. How should Hebrews 4:14 inform us in our battle?

Prayer Covers...

5. Pray for one another that the Holy Spirit would help us apply this passage to our hearts with regard to the particular temptations that we face. Ask God to help us "take ten looks at Jesus for every one look we take at our selves."

Encouragement Flows...

4. Take sometime to share with each other an evidence of God's grace in your life relating to your battle with a particular temptation.