

Series: Son of God

Topic: Jesus Temptation and My Temptation

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Matthew 4:1-11

Good News: It is NOT a sin to be tempted!

Bad News: We will ALWAYS be tempted, you will never outgrow temptation!

Hebrews 4:15, 2:18

"Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted."

- It doesn't matter how "Godly" you are, or how "holy" you are... you will always be tempted!
- Temptation doesn't just mean for sexual, you can also be tempted to give up on your dreams, and also give up on yourself.
 - ❖ Remember this: It is always too soon to give up on yourself!!!
 - You cannot grow without a challenge!

Galatians 5:16-17

"Walk by the spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh..."

Genesis 25:23

- ❖ After a spiritual time, you can expect a spiritual test
 - *Luke 4:1-2 "After Jesus was baptized... he was led by the spirit to the wilderness."*
- The test is always based on what you learn.
- The temptation should not be a surprise.

The devil can only tempt you by these three things:

1. Eyes
2. Flesh
3. Taste

- ❖ Temptation is not always about your **WEAKNESS**. Many times, temptation is about **MISUSING** your **STRENGTHS**!
- ❖ Temptation is persistent... the devil left Jesus for a little while in the wilderness.

Luke 4:13

- The devil is tempting you because you're a threat to his kingdom.
- There are people depending on YOU!

DECLARE: "I've got what it takes!!!"

The moment you got saved God has assigned you a personal bodyguard... Angels surround you... You are NOT ALONE!!!

- You may be going through a struggle in your life... the angels will continue to be with you until you cross over.

Tell your neighbor: "GO FORWARD!"

- When God delivers you from something you must learn to rejoice!

2 Timothy 4:6

- The devil may knock you down a few times but the game is NOT over!!!

Declare: "I'm going to make it!"

1 Co 10:13

"No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind..."

"But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

"If you give up on God you are going to forfeit all of the blessings he has in store in for you!"

- **You need people to pray for you and support you!**