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Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, 2 where for forty days He was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them He was hungry.

3 The devil said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."

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

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."

8 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only."

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."

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

13 When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left Him until an opportune time.

Nelson's Bible Dictionary defines *temptation* as "an enticement or invitation to sin, with the implied promise of greater good to be derived from following the way of disobedience."

Walking with Jesus **1 Corinthians 15:20-22 (NIV)** 20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a Man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

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Hebrews 4:15 (NIV) 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet He did not sin.

Walking with Jesus 1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV) 13 No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

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Walking with Jesus Proverbs 14:12 and Proverbs 16:25 (NIV) There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.

Psalm 119:11 (NIV) I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

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James 1:14 (NIV) but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed.

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Walking with Jesus Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV) Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken...

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Walking with Jesus 2 Corinthians 7:10 (NIV) **10 Godly sorrow brings repentance** that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

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