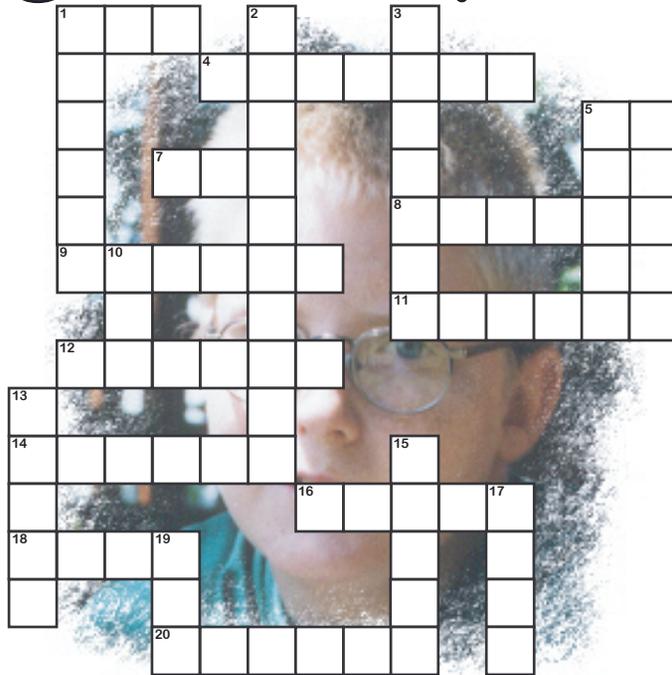


Crossword Puzzle



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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Son of God was also the ____ of man. 4. The time of Jesus' temptation proved that He would have the _____ as a man. 5. I have hidden Your word in my heart that I may not ____ against You. 7. Jesus was the Son of _____. 8. After 40 days without eating Jesus was _____. 9. Adam failed in the garden, but Jesus was victorious in the _____. 11. Jesus simply stood as a ____ man and used the Word of God. 12. The Devil told Jesus to change these into loaves of bread. 14. After Jesus told Satan to "Go away", these came to minister to Him. 16. Jesus was a man of _____ and blood. 18. He failed when he was tempted. 20. Jesus took the status of being a _____ man. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jesus never _____. 2. The place where Jesus was tempted. 3. "You shall _____ the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve. 5. And Him only shall you _____. 6. Our one word for the Devil. 10. The Devil tempted Jesus to _____. 13. "Go away _____!" 15. The tempter. 17. The Devil took Jesus to a _____ mountain. 19. _____ shall not live by bread alone. |
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The Person and Life of the Lord Jesus

- Lesson Six -

The Temptation in the Wilderness of the Lord Jesus Christ

I. Overview.

After the Lord Jesus was baptized, He was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested for forty days. During the forty days the Lord Jesus did not eat anything and became very hungry. The devil



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came to tempt Him. The Lord Jesus overcame the Devil's temptation in the wilderness by using the Word of God. Adam failed when he was tempted in the Garden of Eden, but Jesus fully overcame the temptation in the desert. As a man, Jesus was strengthened, empowered, and had true wisdom to overcome the ancient tempter of mankind through the Word of God.

By taking in the Lord's Word each day we are also strengthened and can say "No!" to the tempter when he comes to us. When we say "No!" to him again and again, he will go away and stop bothering us for a while.

II. Memory Verse.

"With all my heart I have sought You; In my heart I have treasured up Your word that I might not sin against You."

(Psalm 119:10-11)

III. Lesson.

Because the Lord Jesus was a man of flesh and blood, He was subject to every temptation as we are (Heb 2:18). But He overcame every temptation victoriously and never sinned. After Jesus was baptized, the Spirit led Him into the wilderness to be tempted by the Devil. This time of tempting proved that He would have the victory in His living as a man. The Devil tempted Him to do some miracles to take care of Himself, but although He was the Son of God and could do such miracles, He stood on the fact that He was also the Son of man and simply depended on God.

Jesus Tempted Concerning Eating

Jesus was in the wilderness for forty days and nights. He did not eat anything. Then the Devil came to Him to tempt Him concerning eating. Certainly Jesus was very hungry. The Devil told Him, “If You are the Son of God, speak that these stones may become bread.” But Jesus would not do such a miracle and told the Devil “Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out through the mouth of God.”

Jesus Tempted with Miracles and Glory



Jesus was very hungry but would not do a miracle in order to eat. He simply trusted in God.

Then the Devil took Jesus to a high place near the temple and said to Him, “If you are the Son of God, cast yourself down”. But Jesus then said to Him “You shall not test the Lord your God”. Again Jesus took the status of being a normal man, being subject to God. Then the Devil took Jesus to a high mountain and showed Him the kingdoms of the world. He told Jesus “All these will I give You if You fall down and worship me.” Jesus then said to Him “Go away Satan! For it is written “You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.”

Thus the Devil was defeated by the Lord Jesus and left Him alone. Then angels came to minister to Him.

We Also Need to be Strengthened by the Word of God

In all these temptations, the Devil tried to get Jesus to do something miraculous or to make a show of Himself as the Son of God. He even asked the Lord Jesus to worship him. In every case, the Lord Jesus simply stood as a proper man and used the Word of God to defeat the Devil. In the same way we need to defeat the Devil by being proper people and by being strengthened by the Word of God.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. Why was it possible for Jesus to be tempted?

2. What things did the Devil use to tempt the Lord Jesus?

3. What did Jesus use to respond to the Devil?

4. How can we resist the temptations of the Devil?

