

The Life Of Jesus

**FROM THE
BOOK OF LUKE**

LUKE 4

1 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.’”

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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.’”

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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..

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“This double mention leaves no doubt that this was a divinely planned and necessary experience, from which Jesus will then return “in the power of the Spirit” (4:14). Like Israel’s testing in the wilderness (Deuteronomy 8:2), it is designed by God to prepare his Son for what lies ahead.”

R.T. France, Teach the Text Commentary – Luke

“So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit.”

1 Corinthians 15:45

“For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses.”

Hebrews 3:3

THERE IS A SPIRITUAL BATTLE

“11... Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”

Ephesians 6:11-12

“There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves (the devils) are equally pleased by both errors and hail a materialist or a magician with the same delight.”

C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters

“There’s a line that goes right down the center of virtually every choice of every human heart. Two Kingdoms are competing and saying, “Vote for me.” When you go one way or the other, you take a step toward becoming in your character like the leader of each.”

Timothy Keller

**“3...we also glory in our sufferings,
because we know that suffering produces
perseverance; 4 perseverance, character;
and character, hope.”**

Romans 5:3-4

“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world”

1 John 2:16

LUST OF THE FLESH

"The first temptation used the lust of the flesh as its basis. Eating is a natural enough function, but here the temptation was for Christ to abuse His powers to satisfy His personal need, and thus to operate outside the will of God and in response to Satan."

Mills, M. S. (1999). [The Life of Christ: A Study Guide to the Gospel Record \(Mt 4:1–Lk 4:13\)](#). Dallas, TX: 3E Ministries.

“19... You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.”

1 Corinthians 6:19–20

“13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground . . . **16** In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. **17** Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.”

Ephesians 6:13,16-17

“God’s Word is given us to be lived. We are to be hearers, but not only hearers. We are to do what it says (James 1:22). It was in doing God’s Word that Jesus found His victory, and it is in doing God’s Word that we shall find ours.”

Richards, L., & Richards, L. O. (1987). The teacher’s commentary (p. 651). Wheaton, IL: Victor Books.

LUST OF THE EYES

“23 Jesus turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan!’”

Matthew 16:23

THE PRIDE OF LIFE

“If you isolate verses from their contexts, or passages from the total revelation of Scripture, you can prove almost anything from the Bible. Almost every false cult claims to be based on the teachings of the Bible.”

Wiersbe, W. W. (1996). [The Bible exposition commentary](#) (Vol. 1, p. 184). Wheaton, IL: Victor Books.

“All three temptations were made by Satan with the purpose of confusing or compromising God’s plan. The temptations which Satan presents to you and me as believers have the same purpose.”

Mills, M. S. (1999). [The Life of Christ: A Study Guide to the Gospel Record](#). Dallas, TX: 3E Ministries.

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. **16** Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

Hebrews 4:15-16

17 “For this reason he (Jesus) had to be made like them, fully human in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. **18** Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.”

Hebrews 2:17-18