

THE GOSPEL

ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

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The Gospel of Luke | Jesus in the Wilderness Pt. 1

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S U M M A R Y

We continued in our series in Luke by looking at how the devil tempted Jesus in the wilderness after Jesus was baptized. Specifically, we learned about the first temptation recorded in Luke 4. In the following weeks we'll learn about the other two temptations and how we can follow Jesus in resisting temptation and accusation.

R E A D

Luke 4:1-13

Pause. Take time to prayerfully consider what has been read.

D I S C U S S

We were invited to understand three things:

- The reality of evil
- The strategies of evil
- The way to overcome evil

For the reality of evil:

- 1) What do you think or believe about the devil?
- 2) What does the bible say about evil and the role of the devil/satan in all of it?
- 3) What does the Bible mean when it refers to evil as the influence of the world, the flesh and the devil? How do these things work together in opposing the ways of God?

For the strategies of evil:

- 4) What is the devil trying to do in questioning Jesus about being the Son of God and tempting him to turn the stone

into bread? Why was that a true/legitimate temptation that Jesus faced?

- 5) How does giving in to the tactics of accusation and temptation keep us from fullness of life in Jesus?

For the way to overcome evil:

- 6) How have you experienced accusation and temptation in your life? How do you recognize when it's happening?
- 7) How does Jesus use scripture in resisting accusation and temptation?
- 8) What do you see in Jesus in this text that helps you resist evil like he did?

R E S P O N D

Remember, write down, or speak out loud your true identity in God.

Start or continue the practice of regularly meditating on scripture.

*Share how the Spirit is inviting you to respond today and the week to come – to **be with** Jesus, to **become like** Jesus, or to **do what** Jesus does.*

P R A Y

Pray that we would be empowered by the Spirit and encouraged by the scriptures in our resistance against accusation and temptation.

Take time to wait and pray together. What is Jesus praying for? Come into agreement with His prayers.

