

Message from God's Life-Giving Word
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Journey with Jesus – The Temptation of Jesus

Notes on the temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4 and Luke 4):

Why are powerful people so inclined to go off the rails?

Jesus didn't come to _____ .

Jesus came to _____ the sin of the world.

If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. John 8:36

Next Steps

1. Journal the following: What are some examples of powerful people going off the rails morally, ethically, or financially? In what ways are you tempted to put yourself ahead of others? What does it take to resist those temptations?
 2. Read Matthew 4:1–10. What stands out to you in this story of Jesus resisting temptation? What details are surprising or new to you? Have you ever caught yourself trying to manipulate God? If so, what happened?
 5. Read Mark 10:24. Is it difficult for you to believe that Jesus came to serve you? Why or why not? Now read Luke 9:25. In what ways are you currently striving to “gain the world”? What is one thing you can do to let go of that striving and embrace Jesus’ upside-down kingdom?
- REMEMBER:** Your time in daily devotion and prayer is not just for your benefit. It’s also for the benefit of others. Share what God is teaching you.