

Faith Missionary Baptist Church BIBLE STUDY

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LESSON 11

Know The Tricks And Traps of Satan Your Enemy Matt. 4:1-11, 2 Cor. 2:11, 1 Peter 5:8

INTRODUCTION

In warfare of any kind it is of utmost importance to know the tactics of the enemy. After we learn the tactics of the enemy, we must then arm ourselves with the weapons to attack and counter-attack. Then one must devise a strategy of offense or defense. The devil is our arch enemy. He is armed and extremely dangerous. We should not underestimate him. On the other hand, we should not overestimate him either. Either position is dangerous to our survival. The devil is the world's greatest con artist. He is sly, slick, and wicked. His greatest power lies in deception. He deceives people into thinking that he does not exist. He deceives people into thinking that there is no Hell. He deceives people into thinking that there is no God. He lies to us about who we are. Since we have been going through the Covid 19 Pandemic the Satan has lied to us about many things. He has lied to us about the severity of the disease. He has lied to us about our survival. He has lied to us about many of the details about the disease. We Christians need to know the tricks and traps of Satan so we can be victorious. In our lesson today we are going to see how Jesus, our Savior and champion defeated Satan in the wilderness.

OPENING DISCUSSION QUESTION: What has been your biggest battle with the devil?

1st Reading-Matthew 4:1-2.... Jesus Was Led By The Spirit Into The Wilderness

- A. Notice Jesus was led by the Spirit- Divine appointment and assignment
- B. Notice the location: The wilderness-solitary, wild animals,
- C. Notice the appearance of Satan –(Called the tempter)
- D. Satan approaches Jesus, a sinless man
- E. Jesus fasted 40 days (40 is a number of severe trial in scripture) Find 1 other 40 day fast in scripture.
- F. Jesus was hungry-Human nature plight.
- G. Satan appeared in his weakness.

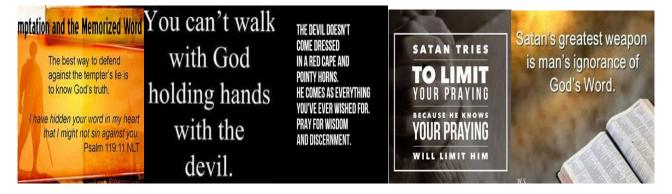
2nd Reading-Matthew 4:3-4......Satan's First Proposition To Jesus: Turn Stones Into Bread

- A. Satan's 1st proposition: "Turn these stones into bread."
- B. Notice the preface: "If thou be the Son of God-Prove yourself to be
- C. The hook: Misuse your power for your benefit.
- D. Jesus response: "It is written- "Mans shall not live by bread alone." Quote from Deut. 8:3
- E. Jesus knew the scripture.



- 3rd Reading-Matthew 4:5-7.....Satan's Second Proposition To Jesus: Jump Down From The Top Of Temple
- A. Satan's 2nd proposition: Jump down from the temple.
- B. The preface: "If thou be the Son of God" -Prove yourself to be
- C. The hook: Be spectacular
- D. Notice the devil's misuse of scripture in Psalm 91
- E. Jesus' response: 'It is written'-"Thou shall not tempt the Lord thy God." Quote from Deut. 6:16

- 4th Reading-Matthew 4:8-10.....Satan's Third Proposition: Pursue The Glamor Of The World
- A. Again-Notice Satan's persistence the third time.
- B. A high mountain gives Jesus a birds-eye view of world kingdoms-Power
- C. Taketh means suggesting, meaning Jesus follows Satan-Jesus is in control the whole time
- D. It's all yours on one condition- The Proposition: "Fall down and worship me."
- D. Notice Satan says, I will give thee- Satan was only a prince- What does that tell us? You guessed
- **E. Jesus Response:** 'Get thee away, Satan' It is written, "Thou shall worship the Lord thy God...." Quote From Deut. 6:13
- 5th Reading- Matthew 4:11......Satan Leaves Jesus
- A. Satan has a coming time
- B. Satan has a leaving time
- C. Both are for a short time.
- C. Angels came and ministered to Jesus
- A. We know from past experience
- B. We know by what the Bible says.
- C. Satan will not get the advantage of us
- 6th Reading-1 Peter 5:8......Watch Out Satan Is Sneaky
- A. Peter's admonition: "Be sober-alert, clear or sound mind.
- B. Be vigilant-Wake up
- C. Why? "Your adversary-enemy
- D. Who? The devil.
- E. His profile-"As a roaring lion-he prowls, lurks, sneaks
- F. Seeking whom he may destroy.



Spiritual Applications of The Lesson

- 1. Satan is not lazy as some have said, he is very smart.
- 2. Never underestimate or overestimate the devil, both positions are dangerous.
- 3. When confronted with the devil use your spiritual weapons- prayer, the bible, praise, worship, the name of Jesus.
- 4. The devil says, "You are mine." Jesus said, "Over my dead body."
- 5. Remember, Jesus said, "The devil is a liar and the father of lies."
- 6. Jesus said, "I saw Satan fall as lightning from heaven."
- 7. Temptations are Satan's distractions to deter us from our God appointed destiny.

<u>MEMORY VERSES:</u> "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." -----1 Peter 5:8

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