



# Friends of Jesus and Mary

## Cycle C-I Sunday of Lent,

*Deuteronomy 26, 4-10; Psalm 90; Romans 10, 8-13; Luke 4, 1-13*

### Jesus is Tempted in the Desert

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over, he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, *One does not live on bread alone.*" Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: *You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve.*" Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and: With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*" Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*" When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

### Reflection

**After Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit led Him out to the desert for 40 days to prepare for His mission with prayer and fasting. Why?** (Prayer and fasting brings us closer to God and helps us to obey.) **But Satan, God's enemy, did not want Jesus to complete His mission and tempts Him in take other directions. ¿What does temptation mean?** (The desire to do something you know you shouldn't.) **The 1st temptation is to change the stones to bread and give up fasting, something the Holy Spirit had requested to help Him obey. Have you ever been tempted to disobey God? Share. How does Jesus respond?** (It is written, *One does not live on bread alone.*)



**The 2nd temptation is to choose power and riches instead of serving God. Have you ever been tempted to choose comfort and pleasure instead of doing homework or going to Mass? Share. How does Jesus respond?** ("It is written: *You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve.*") **The 3rd temptation is to prove He is God by throwing Himself off of the temple, something very dangerous, to see if the angels will save Him. Has a friend ever pressured you to do something dangerous? Share. How did Jesus respond?** (It also says, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*) **Jesus always resisted temptation because He knew what God asked us in the scriptures and He always wanted to obey. Jesus shows us that God's Word, prayer, and fasting or sacrifices, help us to resist temptation and fulfill our mission as children of God to love and serve God and others. How can you resist temptations.**

### Activity

**On the following page, color Jesus being tempted in the desert. On the last page, draw each temptation in the boxes and fill in the blanks with the words in the parenthesis.**

### Prayer

Help me Lord to resist temptations and to focus on the greatness of Your love for us. I want to be better each day. Help me to distinguish between good and evil and to always serve you by sharing your love with others. Amen.

**Song:** Stand Strong, ccw vbs, (Ctrl Click) <https://youtu.be/52GHF8v-kw>

**PPT:** <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ZNYJ89ZZzhaZYUXjiaNP77cjFFwrYW8/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115268475267556305384&rtfpof=true&sd=true>



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**Instructions:** draw the temptations in the boxes. Complete the sentences with one of the words in the parenthesis.



**First Temptation:**

Command the \_\_\_\_\_  
to become \_\_\_\_\_.

(Bread, fast, stones)

**Jesus' Response:**

It is \_\_\_\_\_, one  
does not live on  
\_\_\_\_\_ alone.

(Bread, man, written)



**Second Temptation:**

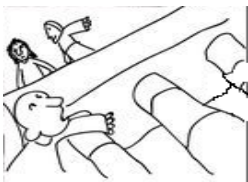
Choose \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
God.

(Serving, riches, power)

**Jesus' Response:**

It is written, *You shall*  
\_\_\_\_\_ *the Lord, your*  
*God, and him alone shall*  
*you* \_\_\_\_\_.

(Serve, God, worship)



**Third Temptation:**

Throw Himself from  
the \_\_\_\_\_ to prove  
God will \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

(Save, temple, God)

**Jesus' Response:**

It \_\_\_\_\_ says: You shall  
not put the Lord, your  
\_\_\_\_\_, to the \_\_\_\_\_.

(God, also, test)