

Biblical Truth Ministries Wednesday 05 August 2026 Matthew 06
“The Temptation of the Christ” *Matthew 4:1-25*

Whenever we make any decision which is going to glorify God or is honoring to Him; immediately that decision is tested.

Jesus Christ has two natures; He is fully God and He is also fully man, undiminished deity and true humanity in one Person forever!

The deity of Jesus Christ is impeccable and non-temptable and His humanity is temptable but not peccable; not liable to sin.

Both the first and the last Adam were tempted by Satan himself who used everything in his great genius arsenal to cause them to act independently of God.

The Person of Christ is unique and His temptations are unique.

The principle of *Matthew 4:1* is: After His victorious baptism, Jesus comes to the place of testing and by application, we are always tested after a great victory and even after any great decision.

Actually, Satan isn't so much interested in us sinning because that hurts his cause.

The devil would love to prove to God that he can establish an order on earth which is highly moral, very self-righteous and totally independent of God.

Jesus is desperately hungry and to turn a stone into a loaf of bread would be very simple for the Son of God but to do that would mean depending upon His own decision related to His own divine power rather than the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit and the will and plan of the Father.

The test here is: Does Jesus have the patience to wait for the Father's plan to operate in His time or is He going to jump out ahead?

And the issue for us is: Do we have the patience to wait for the Father's plan to develop in our lives or do we jump out ahead of it?

This temptation brings out a tremendous concept: If God doesn't open the door for us tomorrow so that we can immediately see daylight, are we going to fall apart?

If we do not know the Word, we do not know the Lord Jesus Christ.

Food is necessary to sustain physical life but sustaining a physical life with an expiration date is meaningless without an eternal spiritual life.

Satan attacks the Word of God by quoting it and then distorting it by using a passage which is not related to the situation.

God does not protect the operation of a negative reaction in defiance of divine law.

God does not guarantee protection for a believer from death who tries to commit suicide which is the superimposition of human volition over divine volition.

Our departure from earth must be strictly a matter of the sovereignty of God and never a matter of a human free will choice.

Jesus Christ has endured the most intense pressure and remember; His ministry is based on the decision He made at His baptism.

No one cannot operate in a ministry apart from the decision to do so and there has to be more good decisions along the way after that.

There are many servants in the plan of God but only one message to be proclaimed.

A fisherman must have a desire to fish and the first principle in witnessing for the Lord is: We must be enthusiastic about Him and about seeing people saved.

Representing God on this earth, as ambassadors for Jesus Christ means we're all necessary members of the same team and Jesus is now assembling His team for future action.

The Lord Jesus healed so that He could teach and preach and the reason He was invited into the synagogues to preach the Gospel is because of His ministry of healing.