

Title | Looking Out for the Lures

Series | So You Can Know For Sure

Text | Luke 4:1-13

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Luke 4:1 And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone." 5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, 6 and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." 8 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve." 9 And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, 10 for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' 11 and 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone." 12 And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." 13 And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time. ESV

Sermon Notes

Big Idea:

Luke 4:3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone." ESV

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read Luke 4:1-2 and Matthew 4:1-2. Who led Jesus into the wilderness? For what purpose did he go there? Jesus had not yet begun his earthly public ministry, so why would the devil want to tempt him there in the wilderness? Was the devil trying to lure Jesus away from the spiritual preparation he needed to serve the Father well?

Tuesdau:

Read Luke 4:3-4. In what way was the devil trying to lure Jesus away from spiritual preparation? In your own words, what is the devil saying? In your own words, how does Jesus respond? How can you apply this to your own spiritual preparation?

Wednesday:

Read Luke 4:5-8. In what way was the devil trying to lure Jesus away from spiritual preparation? In your own words, what is the devil saying? In your own words, how does Jesus respond? How can you apply this to your own spiritual preparation?

Thursday:

Read Luke 4:9-12. In what way was the devil trying to lure Jesus away from spiritual preparation? In your own words, what is the devil saying? In your own words, how does Jesus respond? How can you apply this to your own spiritual preparation?

Friday:

Read Luke 4:13. Will the devil's temptations stop in this life? How specifically can you avoid being lured away from the spiritual preparation you need?

Daily Prayer:

Lord, help me to resist the devil's temptations to lure me away from the spiritual preparation I need to serve you well. Amen.

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