

It is Written: The Defense of Jesus in His Weakness

Matthew 4:1-11

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- All of humanity is subject to unique temptations.
 - Jesus endured intense temptation and yet overcame (Hebrews 2:18).
 - He CAN sympathize with our temptations.
- The nature of the devil's attacks.
 - **Ordained by God but not inflicted by God.**
 - Jesus was loved by God and yet He was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested.
 - You can expect the same!
 - **Temptation came when Jesus was weak.**
 - The devil found Jesus alone, hungry, and tired.
 - **Jesus' temptation was unique and yet common to all men and women.**
 - The ultimate temptation to glorify self over the will of the Father.
 - **God's Word was Jesus' defense!**
 - Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. (John 17:17)
 - **The devil's temptations were temporary.**
 - Cling to the truth of God's Word... temptation will pass!

- 1 Corinthians 10:13:
 - Temptation is common to all.
 - There is no temptation we can't resist (Hebrews 2:18).
 - There is no temptation God doesn't provide a way out of.
- In Jesus' weakness He took up the shield of faith... that is the Word of God! (Ephesians 6:16)
 - When the devil finds you in your wilderness will you be ready?
 - Have you diligently been storing up the Word of God in your heart? (Psalm 119:11)
