

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

The Gospel According to Luke - Wilderness Temptations

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DISCUSSION

1. Read Luke 4:1-13.
 - A. How did Jesus respond to each of Satan's temptations?
 - B. How did Satan change his strategy on his third temptation?
 - C. What does this say about Satan's methods?
2. Pick a temptation that you experience repeatedly. How do you respond to it?
3. Luke 4:1-13 is the beginning of Jesus earthly ministry.
 - A. Why do you suppose that the Lord chose to test Him at this time?
 - B. Recall a time when you were tested. How did the Lord use that in your life for good?
4. Read Lk. 4:14-21 and refer to Isaiah 61.
 - A. When quoting Isaiah 61, why does Jesus stop at verse 2a?
 - B. When will Isaiah 61:2b-9 be fulfilled?
5. Read Lk. 4:22b-24. Think of someone you are so familiar with that you sometimes discount what they say. How might you assess whether you should take them more seriously?
6. Read Lk. 4:22-28. In verse 22a, "All spoke well of him..." yet in verse 28, "all the people were furious."
 - A. What happened in between these verses that moved the people to fury?
 - B. Why did Jesus choose to "poke the bear" by recounting accounts from Old Testament prophets that were unfavorable to the Jews?
7. Read Lk. 4:28-30. What does this say about the nature of Jesus and His mission?
8. When Jesus cast out the demon in Lk. 4:33-37, why did He tell the demon to be quiet even though he spoke the truth? Also see v. 41.

APPLICATION

9. Is there a way you can better respond to the temptation you thought of in discussion question 2 after hearing from the group?
10. Refer to discussion questions 6 and 7. Think of a situation where you need to "speak the truth in love" (Ephesians 4:15). How can you do this?

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1. Plan your **preparation**

Lk 4:1-2; 5:15-16;
1 Tim 4:7-8;
1 Cor 9:25-27

2. Watch for **temptation**

Lk 4:3-12;
Pr 2:12-13

3. Pursue your **mission**