

What must we do to have the response of Christ to not sin?

1. Flee to the Word of God

2. Flee to God in Prayer-

3. Flee to your faith-

4. Flee to Jesus-

## The Temptation of the Son of Man Pt. 3

Luke 4:9-13

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Introduction:

### He is Really a Being

- He has intellect, Gen. 3:1-5, 2Cor.2:11. He has emotion, 1Tim.3:6,Rev.12:17. And he has a will, 2Tim.2:26.
- He has been named Satan, Devil, Lucifer, Destroyer, Beelzebub, Belial.
- Titles ascribed to him are The Evil one, tempter, prince of this world, the god of this age, prince of the power of the air, accuser of the brethren, deceiver of the whole world, the prince of demons, adversary, enemy, father of lies, murderer, serpent, dragon, angel of light, roaring lion.
- He is a created being, Ex. 20:11,Col 1:16.
- Highest order of spirit beings, Eph.6:11-12
- Personality is totally evil 1Jn.3:8
- He is characterized by pride Is. 14:13ff
- He is finite, Rev. 20, 12:8; 1Pe.1:12

### What is his realm of influence?

- He has power in the angelic realm. Mt. 25:41, Mt. 12:24-26
- He has power in the physical realm. Job, Gen.3:1;Lk.13:11-16; 2Cor.12:1-10
- He has power in the realm of government. Mt. 4:8-9;1Jn.5:19.
- He has power in the spiritual realm. Act 5:3; Mt. 13:19

### What is his agenda?

- He totally opposes God's program. Gen 3:4-5; 2Cor.11:14-15
- He opposes the work of Christ. Mt. 4:11; Mt.2:16; Jn.13:27
- He controls and deceives nations. Jn.12:31; Rev.20:3-10
- He tries to destroy Israel. Da. 9;Rev. 12:13-17
- He deceives the unsaved. Eph.2:2;2Cor.4:4;Mt. 13:19
- He opposes God's people. He accuses and slanders them, Job, Rev. 12:10. He hinders their work, 1Thess 2:18. He sows tares among the people of God, Mt. 13:38-39. He promotes persecution, Rev. 2:10. He tempts to sin, Acts 5:3; Gen. 3.
- His agenda is to sift the church, Rev. 2&3 hypocritical, hung up in its personal stuff.

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Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:1-13; 1Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27. As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

## I. The **Circumstances** of the Temptation 1-2

## II. The **Characteristics** of the Temptation 3-12

### A. A Test about the **Provision** of God 3-4

*“Does God really care about providing for you?”*

*Hebrews 5:8*

It’s all about FAITH.

### B. A Test about the **Plan** of God 5-8

*“Do you really need to follow the hard plan of God?”*

It’s all about FOCUs

### C. A Test about the **Protection** of God 9-1

*“Do you really believe God protects? Jump & trust!”*

*“Satan tempted Christ to advance the work of God by spectacular, and obviously worldly means, which is exactly what many evangelicals are doing today when they try to impress people with so called signs and wonders or by entertainment reminiscent of television. We cannot accomplish invisible spiritual work by outward worldly means.” Boice*

“To test God is to doubt God, and to doubt God is not to trust Him, and to not trust Him is sin... God expects us to take risks, any risks necessary, in order to obey His will. When we risk our prestige, our money, our lives, our families, or anything else to fulfill the Lord’s calling, we can rest confidently in His divine provision for all that we need-if we accept the truth that only He knows what our needs really are. But when we take risks simply to fulfill our own ambitions or to put God to the test, He gives no promise on which we can rest. MacArthur

- Christ resisted temptation as a real man
- Christ resisted temptation because He was full of the Word.
- Christ resisted temptation because He was filled with the Spirit.

## III. The **Consequences** of the Temptation 13

### Conclusion

① Temptation wants to overtake you and me,

② Temptation is resistible:

③ Temptation is Limited: