The Temptations of Jesus


1. Lust of the FLESH (stones to bread) (vs.#3)
2. Lust of the EYES (pinnacle of temple, tempts to fear by sight/senses) (vs.#5)
3. Pride of LIFE (all these things I will give thee) (vs.#8)

Genesis 3:6 - "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat and gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat."

I John 2:16 - "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world."

Anytime anyone sins, it is always in one or more of these three categories. (flesh, eyes, pride of life)

The same temptation story is found in Mark and Luke's account.

Mark 1:13 - "...He was there in the wilderness 40 days, tempted of Satan..."

Luke 4:2 - "Being 40 days tempted of the devil..."

Luke 4:13 - "...he (satan) departed from Him (Jesus), for a season."

Luke 4:14 - "And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee, and there went out a fame of Him through all the region round about."

(All Jesus did was not recorded in the Bible: John 20:30 / John 21:25)

NOTE: When we resist the devil, he HAS to flee, according to James 4:7 - "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he WILL flee from you."

CAUSES OF YIELDING TO TEMPTATION:

1. Lack Of Knowledge. Hosea 4:6 - "...men are destroyed from a lack of knowledge..."
   Proverbs 4:7 - "Wisdom IS the principle thing..."

2. Having Too Much Time. Ephesians 5:16 - "Re-deeming the time, because the days are evil."

3. Being In Wrong Places. (to sin) I Thess. 5:22-
"Abstain from ALL appearances of evil."

4. **Pride.** (Self-righteousness) I Cor. 10:12-"Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

Proverbs 16:18- "Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."

5. **Entertaining Sinful Thoughts.** (See: Matt. 6:25, 27, 31 and 34. All these veses are nearly phrased the same, "take no thought".

Phil. 4:6 - "Be careful (don't be anxious) for nothing (or anything)"

Proverbs 23:7 - "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he..."

Psalms 94:11 - "The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity."

Matthew 15:19 - "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts..."

DO THE OPPOSITE OF THESE POINTS TO COMBAT TEMPTATION.

SOAK & SATURATE YOURSELF IN THE WORD.
PRAY, PRAISE GOD, AND BE IN THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE WHEREVER YOU GO, EVEN IN YOUR OWN HOME.

GET YOUR MIND OFF OF YOURSELF !!!!!

Matthew 11:30 - "He that findeth his life shall lose it, and he that loseth his life, for my sake shall find it."

CLOSING REMARKS: Satan knows the scriptures better than some christians. DON'T let satan twist the Word to get you to sin. You must RESIST the devil, with the Word. A L W A Y S .