

JESUS on TEMPTATION

“It is written” [NIV, NKJV, ESV] – “The Scriptures say” [NLT]

“Jesus answered by quoting Deuteronomy” [THE MESSAGE]

LESSON #1 = _____ IT

“Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows.” – JOHN 16:33

- We have an _____
“He was a murderer from the beginning. He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies.” – JOHN 8:44
- He has one _____
“Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.” – 1 PET. 5:8
- He will use every _____ at his disposal
“Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.” – 2 COR. 11:14

LESSON #2 = _____ IT

“He was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where he was tempted by the devil for forty days. Jesus ate nothing all that time and became very hungry... When the devil had finished tempting Jesus, he left him until the next opportunity came.” – LUKE 4:1-2, 13

The enemy shows up when we’re most _____

- H** _____ = physical or emotional need
- A** _____ = a situation, a person, or yourself
- L** _____ = a self-imposed situation
- T** _____ = physically, emotionally, spiritually

LESSON #3 = _____ IT

Using Scripture is a great way to _____ the enemy when he speaks, attacks, or tempts

“If we don’t address temptation directly, firmly, and with Christ honoring resolve – we will succumb to the evil one’s false promises again and again.” DAN WILT

- When tempted, Jesus did not use any _____ powers to resist the devil
- Jesus simply _____ the written Word of God
“I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.” – PSA. 119:11
 - “hidden” = Hebrew – “to hide away as a great treasure”
 - “heart” = Hebrew – “center of our being”
- We have to _____ God’s Word
“Commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these words of mine. Tie them to your hands and wear them on your forehead as reminders.” – DEUT. 11:18
“Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.” – JOSH. 1:8, NLT
- We have to _____ God’s Word
“For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.” – HEB. 4:12
- We have to _____ God’s Word
“All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.” – 2 TIM. 3:16-17

*All Scripture references are from the New Living Translation of the Bible, Tyndale (unless otherwise noted)