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"'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

-Matthew 4:1-4





And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

#### -Deuteronomy 8:2-3



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#### **APPLICATION #1**

# Jesus is our model for how to resist temptation



For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

-Deuteronomy 8:7-10



## 3 TEMPTATIONS

- 1. PROVISION
- 2. PRESUMPTION
- 3.



Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

"'He will command his angels concerning you,' and

"'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

-Matthew 4:5-6



"When one Scripture is used to encourage behavior that most Scripture, or the heart of Scripture, **dis**courages, we can tell we are in enemy territory."

-Frederick Dale Bruner





# 3 TEMPTATIONS

- 1. PROVISION
- 2. PRESUMPTION

3.





Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

-Matthew 4:7



### **APPLICATION #2**

Jesus sympathizes with us in our temptations



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Jesus sympathizes with us and helps us in our temptations



## 3 TEMPTATIONS

- 1. PROVISION
- 2. PRESUMPTION
- 3. POWER



Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

-Matthew 4:8-9





Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written,
"'You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve.'"

Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

-Matthew 4:10-11



### **APPLICATION #3**

Jesus perfectly resisted temptation on our behalf



For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

-Romans 5:19



Teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay



