

Jesus Resists Tempting Shortcuts!

More than Qualified #3

¹ Jesus, full of the **Holy Spirit**, left the Jordan River and was **led by the Spirit** into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

³ The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to **become bread**."

⁴ Jesus answered, "**It is written**: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'"

⁵ The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷ If you worship me, it will **all be yours**." ⁸ Jesus answered, "**It is written**: 'Worship the Lord your God and **serve him only**.'"

⁹ The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here." ¹⁰ For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully;

¹¹ **they will lift you up** in their hands, so you will not strike your foot against a stone."

¹² Jesus answered, "**It is said**: 'Do not **put the Lord your God to the test**.'" ¹³ When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

Luke 4:1-13

- Jesus was offered ___**quick comfort, control, & recognition**___!
- Jesus was clear ___**on what temptation was & wasn't**___!
- Jesus skillfully ___**used God's Word as his ally**___!

¹⁸ Because **Jesus himself suffered** when he was tempted, **he is able to help** those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 2:18

¹³ **When tempted, no one** should say, "God is tempting me." For **God cannot** be tempted by evil, **nor does he** tempt anyone;

¹⁴ but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed...

James 1:13-15

¹³ The **temptations** in your life are no different from what others experience. And **God is faithful**. He will **not allow** the temptation to be more than you can stand. **When** you are tempted, he will show you a way so you can stand up and endure it.

1 Corinthians 10:13

- We must look to ___**Jesus & God's Word for help**___!
- We must commit to ___**God's better, often harder path**___!

Crossroads Church

Discovering Life Connected with God!

Our Vision

To be a dynamic and diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ connected in transforming relationships with God, each other, and our world!

Our Purpose and Mission

To connect people with God, God's family, and God's mission through a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!

Our Strategy

To fulfill God's purpose in our lives through a balanced commitment to love God with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, according to God's Great Commandment and Great Commission in the Bible.

Our Commitment

Growth

To speak and act more like Jesus Christ each day of our lives.
To reach people disconnected from God with the love of Jesus.

Relationships

To develop depth, consistency, and closeness in our walk with Jesus.
To share life and spiritual journey together with each other.

Relevance

To apply God's truths and principles to life in practical ways.
To engage and meaningfully share Jesus with people.

Involvement

To participate in church family relationships and responsibilities.
To discover and contribute our dynamic and diverse abilities.

Truth

To value Jesus Christ and the Bible as God's eternal revelation to us.
To believe and center on Jesus Christ as forgiver and life leader.

Let's Catch the Vision and Share the Mission Together!

"We are an autonomous, biblically-based church family that actively partners locally and internationally to fulfill our mission to connect people in transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!"