

## A Proven Template for Defeating Temptation With Truth

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus voluntarily laid aside the independent use of His deity.

(John 4:34, 5:19,30, 8:28-29)

Temptation # 1 - Don't trust in the Father's \_\_\_\_\_.

Where He leads you, He \_\_\_\_\_ you.

Temptation # 2 - Don't trust in God's \_\_\_\_\_.

While you wait, God is \_\_\_\_\_.

Temptation # 3- Don't trust God's \_\_\_\_\_. Skip the \_\_\_\_\_.

Because God is good, \_\_\_\_\_ is worth it.

Our Template : "It is written."

## 1. The temptation of Adam and Eve - Genesis 3

Read over the Genesis account of the temptation of Adam and Eve:

God's original command Genesis 2:16-17

Satan's question about the command Gen 3:1

Eve's statement about the command Gen 3:2-3

Satan's restatement of God's command 3:4

Satan's attack on God's character 3:5

The result 3:6

- Look very carefully at each word in Eve's and Satan's statements about God's command. What words are added and what words are taken away?
- How and why did Satan attack God's character? Did Eve believe this attack?
- How does knowing the character of God help you trust His word?

## 2. Tempting God

In Exodus 16:1-4 the people complain against God. In Exodus 17:1-7 we see Moses asking the people why they are tempting God.

- What is tempting God? How is it a lack of faith?
- From a human viewpoint, how does our tempting God place Him into a "heads we win, tails you lose" type of scenario?
- When we tempt God, who are we saying is in charge?
- How could a believer misuse Romans 8:28?

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