

# THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

## LUKE CHAPTER 4:5-8

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### **"TEMPTATION, WHAT ARE WE TO DO?" – PART 2**

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,  
THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN*

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**The Severity of the Temptation was for our benefit!**

**The Tempting was the Proving (examining) of Christ**

#### **Isaiah 53:5**

But he was wounded and crushed for our sins. He was beaten that we might have peace. He was whipped, and we were healed!

**Before a Lamb could be sacrificed,  
it had to be tested, examined... loved**

**I.) *Temptation is Satan's weapon of choice***

**v.1-2**

**II.) *Temptation is Satan's Tone of Voice***

**v.3**

**III.) *Temptation is Satan's Master Plan***

**v.4**

## **WE'RE TALKING TEMPTATION**

### **2 Corinthians 10:3-5**

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. **:4** For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, **:5** casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

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## **TEMPTATION, WHAT ARE WE TO DO?**

**I.) *You must know your enemy's plan***

**v.5**

**Then (the attack is heightened)** the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

The word "Then" (implies the attack is heightened)

**if Satan doesn't find an open window,  
then he'll find an unlocked door...**

1 John 2:16

For all that *is* in the world—(1) the lust of the flesh, (2) **the lust of the eyes**, and (3) the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

## ***You must know your enemy's plan***

### ***a.) Satan's plan is to overwhelm you v.5***

Then (an elevated threat) the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

#### **Satan Would Have Shown Jesus**

the wealth of ancient Egyptian empires  
to the awesome military power of the United States

But The Most Terrifying by Far  
is the coming kingdom of the antichrist, Satan is offering  
Jesus his kingdom

#### **In the Future, Through The Eyes of the Antichrist**

Satan will peer out to the global masses in a freakish, lustful worship  
he will be delighted as he assumes the worship of this man to come.

"Temptation by Aggrandizement"  
In The Case, The Aggrandizement of the Eyes

## ***You must know your enemy's plan***

### ***b.) Satan's plan is to imprison you v.5***

showing Him **all** the kingdoms of the world **in a moment** of time.

#### **Satan Exaggerates the Facts**

making things look bigger than life, promising things better than real

#### **John 8:44**

Satan was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources*, for he is a liar and the father of it.

Satan will Seek to Imprison You and I  
by what we see! - his goal... **"made ya look"**  
For This Temptation is Answered for Us

**1 John 2:16**  
the lust of the eyes,

He is a Master at Taking what is true and stretching it until it becomes false.  
Satan manipulates the truth until it becomes untrue.

**This is The Mastery of the Cults**  
(take the truth and massage it until it's different)

**Genesis 3:6**

So when the woman **saw that the tree was "pleasant to the eyes"**

(this Pleasant to the Eyes is the Hebrew Word Nordstroms. It can be Translated  
Macy's or Robinsons-May but almost always in the English is; Home-Depot

**Satan's Plan is to Overwhelm You**  
with Stimulation of the Lust of the Eyes =  
I Need This, I Want This, I've Got to Have This

**This Next Thought is Unnerving to us;**  
Satan was Trying to Get Jesus to Sin by Taking what was being offered.  
what's implied here is this, once it's taken, you'll be coming back for more

In One Word = Addiction

***You must know your enemy's plan***

***c.) Satan's plan is to disable you v.5***

Then (an elevated threat) the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain,  
showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

**Your Attention Please**  
***When I say Disable, You Need to Know What is Meant.***

If You're Not a Christian  
Satan Seeks to Keep You Dead, That's Right  
(according to the Bible, you're dead spiritually)

**Ephesians 2:1-5**

And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins, :2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, :3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. :4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, :5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

**The Good News Is...**

**John 1:12**

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

If You Are a Christian Satan Seeks to Sterilize You, That's Right  
(according to the Bible, he seeks to **disable** you by **sterilizing** you)

**Be Confident in This Very Thing**

**By Being Born Again you're heaven bound and enroute. Satan cannot change that. but what he can do is keep you from taking anyone else with you.**

As Long as You are Living the Christian Life  
you are a terrible threat to Satan - so he seeks to silence you

**Please, Don't Be Offended by This, Be Convicted by This;**

**what are you doing to save others from hell?  
what kind of effort are you putting forth to stop Satan's advancement?**

the level of your involvement in the cause of Christ  
exposes everything about you,  
from how you spend your time, money, energy, influences, your evenings, your thoughts, imaginations, passions, desires...

**1 Corinthians 10:31**

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

**1 Corinthians 6:20**

For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit,  
which are God's.

**how are we disabled?**

by an inside job - where we do our thinking, feelings

by an outside job - those who are around us

by an alongside job - the world

**TEMPTATION, WHAT ARE WE TO DO?**

**II.) You must know your enemy's strengths v.6**

**a.) What can Satan use against us? v.6**

The Last Thing Anyone Wants  
to Hear is That Their Enemy is Right About Something.

And the devil said to Him, (Phase 2 of the Temptation) "All this authority I will give You,  
and their glory; for *this* has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish

**"What Can Your Enemy do to Harm You?"**

***What can Satan use against me?***

he can bring up my past / he reminds me of my sins / he can accuse me  
of anything...

**Ephesians 6:16**

above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able  
to quench **all (shapes and sizes) the fiery darts** of the wicked one.

(darts are bad enough, burning darts have got to be worse)

be+loß belos, *bel'-os*; from 906; a missile, i.e. spear or arrow: — dart.

***You must know your enemy's strengths***

## **b.) What can Satan actually do to us? v.6**

...“All this authority I will give You, and their glory;  
for *this* has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish

### **Satan Offers Jesus a Fantasy World of Short Cuts to Glory**

In Eternity It was Understood

"The Father would Grant the Kingdoms of the World to God the Savior".

Psalm 2:7-8

“I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me,  
‘You *are* My Son, Today I have begotten You. :8 Ask of Me, and I will give You  
The nations *for* Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth *for* Your possession.

### **Satan Suggests an Easier Way**

## **JESUS IS OFFERED THE WORLD**

without mockery, without the Cross, Without rejection

Three Times Jesus calls Satan the prince of the world;

**John 12:31**

**John 14:30**

**John 16:11**

**Ephesians 2:2**

in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince  
of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

**2 Corinthians 4:3-4**

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, :4 whose minds  
the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the  
glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

## **Jesus could have said to Himself;**

"it's only for a moment, I won't really be worshipping him"

**"Why Take the Path of Suffering, Let's Make it Easy on You"**

Satan Clearly Had the Authority,  
But He Didn't have the Ability.

## Satan is Looking for a Taker Every Day

Nimrod of Old was a Taker / Judas was a Taker / Hitler was a Taker

The Coming World Leader will be the Ultimate Taker  
TEMPTATION, WHAT ARE WE TO DO?

**III.) *You must know your enemy's weaknesses* v.7**

...Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours

**a.) *Satan has an overdeveloped ego* v.7**

...Therefore, if You will worship before me

Ego, Pride Self Centeredness

**Proverbs 6:16b-17a**

seven *are* an abomination to Him: :17 A proud look,

this ego is what got him in trouble at the start

Everything is Skewed in Satan's Mind.

toward himself, to honor himself, to glory in himself, self!!!

he is the personification of all that is evil

he rejoices in murder, molestation, violence, hatred, lust, abuse, war... sin!

**Isaiah 14:4-12**

that you will take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say: "How the oppressor has ceased, The golden city ceased! :5 The LORD has broken the staff of the wicked, The scepter of the rulers; :6 He who struck the people in wrath with a continual stroke, He who ruled the nations in anger, Is persecuted *and* no one hinders. :7 The whole earth is at rest *and* quiet They break forth into singing. :8 Indeed the cypress trees rejoice over you, *And* the cedars of Lebanon, *Saying*, "Since you were



cut down, No woodsman has come up against us.’ :9 “Hell from beneath is excited about you, To meet *you* at your coming; It stirs up the dead for you, All the chief ones of the earth; It has raised up from their thrones All the kings of the nations. :10 They all shall speak and say to you: “Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us? :11 Your pomp is brought down to Sheol, *And* the sound of your stringed instruments; The maggot is spread under you, And worms cover you.’ :12 “How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *How* you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations!....

***Remember now, Satan has an overdeveloped ego which causes him to believe in his own lies...***

what Satan said to Eve in the garden was wrapped in a desire to be worshipped

#### **Genesis 3:5**

God knows that in the day you eat of the fruit your eyes will be opened, and **you will be like God**, knowing good and evil.”

#### **Isaiah 14:13-16**

For you have said in your heart: “I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; :14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds **I will be like the Most High.**’ :15 Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit. :16 Those who see you will gaze at you, *And* consider you, *saying*: ‘Is this the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms,

#### **Ezekiel 28:2-17**

“Thus says the Lord GOD: “Because your heart *is* lifted up, And you say, ‘I *am* a god, I sit *in* the seat of gods, In the midst of the seas,’ Yet you *are* a man, and not a god, Though you set your heart as the heart of a god :3 (Behold, you *are* wiser than Daniel! There is no secret that can be hidden from you! :4 With your wisdom and your understanding You have gained riches for yourself And gathered gold and silver into your treasuries; :5 By your great wisdom in trade you have increased your riches, And your heart is lifted up because of your riches),” :6 “Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Because you have set your heart as the heart of a god, :7 Behold, therefore, I will bring strangers against you, The most terrible of the nations; And they shall draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom, And defile your splendor. :8 They shall throw you down into the Pit, And you shall die the death of the slain In the midst of the seas. :9 “Will you still say before him who slays you, ‘I *am* a god’ But you *shall be* a

man, and not a god, In the hand of him who slays you. :10 You shall die the death of the uncircumcised By the hand of aliens For I have spoken,” says the Lord GOD.’ ” :11 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, :12 “Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, “Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘You were the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. :13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created. :14 “You were the anointed cherub who covers I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. :15 You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you. :16 “By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones. :17 “Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you.

## Because Jesus was Obedient Against Satan, *The Opposite has Been Guaranteed...*

### Philippians 2:10-11

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, :11 and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### ***You must know your enemy's weaknesses***

#### ***b.) Satan has no sense of reality v.1***

all will be Yours

It sounds like a game show announcement

*Adam, If you get this answer correct,*

***"All will be Yours"***

What is His Reality? = a world of lies

he'll gladly yield momentary satisfaction to man, but in return he gains eternal control -  
it's an investment opportunity on Satan's part

## **momentary satisfaction**

like renting a limousine.

have you ever driven a really cool car on a test drive.

in palm springs, I saw a \$325,000 car.

If You Take It On a **Test Drive**  
how long will that test drive last?

It's Like **Samples at Costco**  
they give you just a bite worth

## TEMPTATION, WHAT ARE WE TO DO?

***IV.) We must know our place in this battle v.8***

***a.) Our place is hidden in Jesus Christ v.8***

And Jesus answered and said to him,  
"Get behind Me, Satan!"

**This "Get Behind Me" is an Order of Authority!**

"go to the back of the line, or sit down, remove yourself!"

***How Can Our place be hidden in Jesus Christ  
(our authority is from Him)***

Each Response Jesus Delivers is in The Form of  
an "Aggressive Offensive"

### **Matthew 11:12**

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers  
violence, and the violent take it by force.

**(the gospel will be violently attacked // but the gospel responds by  
enthusiastically advancing)**

## (A Preemptive Strike)

**2 Timothy 4:2**

Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season.

**1 Peter 3:15**

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always *be* ready to *give* a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;

### **Note Jesus' Answer**

It's Not with a Dialogue, Not a Philosophy, Not with a Principle

**"Get behind Me, Satan!"**

**Satanas**, *sat-an-as* = Chaldean for The Accuser,  
The Litigant - the ones who are suing you

**Revelation 12:7-10**

And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, :8 but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. :9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. :10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

## ***We must know our place in this battle***

***b.) Our place is worshipping before the LORD v.8***

For it is written,

'You shall worship the LORD your God,

worship is clearly a weapon of war  
whoever controls worship, controls the  
battle

**Jericho as an Example!**

**There are worship options**

**1 Kings 18:20-21**

So Ahab sent for all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together on Mount Carmel. :21 And Elijah came to all the people, and said, "**How long will you falter (hesitate) between two opinions?** If the LORD *is* God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people answered him not a word.

([www.balaams-ass.com/alhaj/baal.htm](http://www.balaams-ass.com/alhaj/baal.htm))  
[www.yesumasih.com](http://www.yesumasih.com)

"Ya Gotta Serve Somebody" sang Bob Dylan  
"it might be the devil, it might be the Lord, but ya gotta serve somebody"

**Joshua 24:14-15**

"Now therefore, fear the LORD, serve Him in sincerity and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt. Serve the LORD! :15 And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Moses Sternly Warned the Children of Israel Against Idolatry and False Worship

**Deuteronomy 6:13**

You shall fear (worship) the LORD your God and serve Him,

**Affection, Attention, Devotion, and Loyalty  
to anyone or anything other than the Lord is Idolatry!  
the power of **praise** and **worship**?**

***We must know our place in this battle***

**c.) *Our place is obeying the LORD* v.8**

**For it is written, and Him only you shall serve.**

**Hebrews 4:12-13a**

For **the word of God** *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a

discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. :13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight...

**John 12:49-50**

For I have not spoken on My own *authority*; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak. :50 And I know that His command is everlasting life.

**1 Timothy 1:5**

Now the purpose of the commandment is love

**1 John 4:21**

And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God *must* love his brother also.

**John 13:34-35**

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. :35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

**So then to Serve God is to Obey Him,  
Obeying Him means to Love!**

**Matthew 16:24-26**

Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. :25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. :26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?”

What Happens When We Worship?  
***our perspective is corrected***

*end*