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Have you ever opened a seed and seen the little tree inside? Pastor Glenn Coon saw this in British Columbia, Canada in a grapefruit. When the fruit was opened, they saw a seed had cracked and they could see a tiny grapefruit tree coming right out of that cracked seed. The tiny tree had two leaves, a trunk, and a root.

Rutherford Platt, a prize-winner in science, had declared decades before that every normal apple seed contains three parts of an apple tree, a trunk, two leaves, and roots. He stated that this tree could actually be seen if one used a magnifying glass large enough. A friend of ours told us of a locality where we could obtain some wild Persimmons and suggested we cut one of the seeds slantwise. There we found a persimmon tree- tiny though it was with leaves, trunk, and roots.

What is true of a grapefruit seed, an apple seed, and a persimmon seed is also true of other seeds. In Luke 8:11, when Jesus told a parable about a farmer planting and growing seeds, He said, "The seed is the Word of God."



We can think of Bible promises like seeds. If you have a seed - you have a tree. If you have a Bible promise - you have the thing it promises. A grapefruit seed promises a grapefruit tree, and it actually contains a grapefruit tree. A Bible promise for wisdom, contains wisdom. A Bible promise for peace, contains peace.

Pr Glenn Coon illustrated this to a class of High School students. Pointing to the empty space at the front of the room he said, "Suppose I was to say to you students, 'There is a chair sitting right here.' Of what would I be guilty?" They replied, "Of lying."

He agreed - there was no chair there. Then he continued, "But if God was to say, 'There is a chair there,' what would happen?"

The students were puzzled at first, because they did not realize that the moment God speaks, His very words contain the thing He names, and a chair would appear. Read Genesis 1.

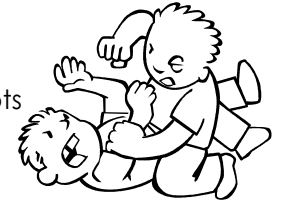


# Satan Attacks Jesus

## Sabbath

Have you ever been attacked by someone?

☐ Never ☐ Maybe ☐ Occasionally ☐ Lots



What sort of attack was it?

- ☐ **Physical:** beating, punching, hitting, pushing etc.
- ☐ **Verbal:** yelling, swearing, being told off etc.
- ☐ **Reputation attack:** spreading lies or rumours, making you look bad, talking behind your back.
- ☐ **Psychological:** putting you down all the time, making negative suggestions, creating self doubts, not respecting you, giving you or encouraging you to try drugs or things that affect your mind.

Have you ever been tempted to do something wrong when you were hungry, or tired, or thirsty?



Have you ever been tricked into doing something that you thought was the right thing to do, and then found out it was not?

Have you ever been tempted to do something a different way than you are supposed to because it looked easier?



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Refer: Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13 NLT; *The Desire of Ages* p114-131; *The Bible Story* vol7 p109-118

## Sunday

After Jesus was baptised, the Holy Spirit led Him into the wilderness. For 40 days Jesus talked to God, and He didn't have anything to eat.



After 40 days Jesus was very hungry. Now Satan, the devil, came and said to Him, "If you are really God's son, tell these stones to become bread so you can eat."



But Jesus told him:

"No! The Bible says, 'People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then Satan took Jesus to the highest point of the Temple in Jerusalem, and said, "If you are God's son, jump off! For the Bible says, 'God will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'" Jesus said:



"The Bible also says, 'You must not test the Lord your God.'"

Then Satan took Jesus to the top of a very high mountain and showed him the world. "I will give it all to you," he said, "if you will kneel down and worship me."

Jesus told him:

"Get out of here, Satan. The Bible says, 'You must worship the Lord your God and serve only Him.'"



Then Satan went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.

## Friday

Use the code to find some verses that can help you in different situations. (Verse are shown from the New Living Translation of the Bible)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

### THINGS THAT MIGHT HURT YOUR HEALTH:

1 6:19 "your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit..."

20:1 "...Those led astray by drink cannot be wise."

### CHOICES:

3:6 "...He will show you which path to take."

9:10a "Whatever you do, do well."

### FRIENDS:

7:12 "Do to others what you would like them to do to you."

12:26 "The godly give good advice... wicked lead astray."

### PARENTS:

6:1, 2 "...obey your parents in the Lord..."

### WORRY:

4:6, 7 "Don't worry; instead, pray..."

## Thursday

This term we are learning about the Armour of God.  
Fill in the missing words from Ephesians 6:17b-18<sup>NLT</sup>.

**"Take the sword of the \_\_\_\_\_, which is the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
\_\_\_\_\_. Pray in the \_\_\_\_\_ at all times and on every  
\_\_\_\_\_. Stay \_\_\_\_\_ and be persistent in your  
prayers for all believers everywhere.**

Did you notice how Jesus used the Sword of the Spirit to defeat Satan?

Look up the three verses and draw lines to show which verses Jesus was quoted each time from the writings of Moses.

Matthew 4:4

Exodus 17:2 & Deuteronomy 6:16

Matthew 4:7

Deuteronomy 6:13 & 10:20

Matthew 4:10

Deuteronomy 5:8

The temptation of Jesus is recorded in the Bible for us as an example of how to use the Sword of the Spirit. We can do the same. Whether we have a problem, worry, doubt, or just something that we want to get better at, finding a Bible promise and reading it, or better yet memorizing it so that we can say it often will help us. Better yet, by remembering the Bible verse in our prayers we will also be following the command of Ephesians 6:18, to pray in the Spirit.

Fit the words from Ephesians 6:17b-18<sup>NLT</sup> into the grid.

## Monday

The devil is out to attack everyone who chooses to follow God, and he uses all the methods mentioned on Sabbath. No, he does not personally wait in a dark alley to catch you - he works on the minds of those who listen to him and tells them to hurt you. All the hate, cruelty and violence in the world can be traced back to Satan.

Satan tried to attack Jesus physically, by influencing King Herod to kill the babies of Bethlehem. He attacked Jesus verbally, whenever demon possessed men or women were brought for healing, and I'm sure there were times as a child, when He was teased or called names.



Satan used the Priests and Pharisees (who should have been working for God), to try and attack Jesus' reputation. They made it their personal mission to try and discredit Jesus, and finally resorted to physical violence when they crucified Him.

This week we see how Satan tried to attack Jesus psychologically. Satan's "IF you are the Son of God..." implies that he doubted that Jesus really was God's Son. - That Jesus must defend Himself and prove who He is by doing the miracle.

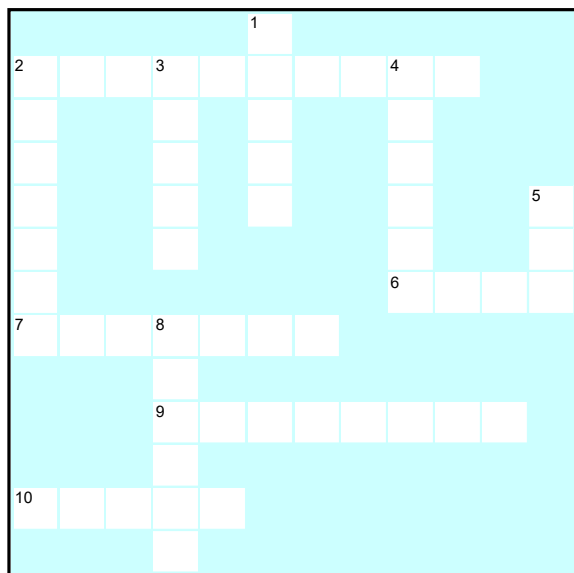
Then Satan tries a more subtle approach. He quotes a verse from the Bible. Surely if it is in the Bible, it must be right. But Jesus quotes another verse to show that Satan is not telling the entire truth.



Then Satan offers Jesus what appears to be an easy way to accomplish His mission on earth, to save the world. Just bow to Satan and then He wouldn't have to go through the pain of His trial and crucifixion. Thankfully Jesus did not take the easy option, because if He had, we all would be doomed to die forever - including Jesus.

## Tuesday

- 1 down - Satan said "IF you are really God's son, tell these stones to become \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 across - After Jesus was baptised, the Holy Spirit led Jesus into the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 down - Satan offered to give Jesus the world if He would \_\_\_\_\_ him.
- 3 down - The \_\_\_\_\_ came to tempt Jesus.
- 4 down - The Holy \_\_\_\_\_ led Jesus into the wilderness.
- 5 down - For forty days Jesus had nothing to \_\_\_\_.
- 6 across - Satan came to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus three times.
- 7 across - Satan quoted the Bible verse that said God would send His angels to \_\_\_\_\_ His people.
- 8 down - Satan told Jesus to jump off the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 across - Satan took Jesus to the top of a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 across - What did Satan offer Jesus, if He would worship him? - The \_\_\_\_\_.



## Wednesday

The first test from Satan came at a time when Jesus was physically tired and hungry from lack of food. It would have been so easy to say the words and then eat the food, to be refreshed and to prove that He really was the Son of God.

Then Satan quotes a single verse (Psalm 91:11) from a psalm of David – a psalm about how God protects those who love and follow Him. Would Jesus have been following God if He obeyed Satan? – No! Taking a verse out of the context of its surrounding verses can be very dangerous and is a favourite tool of Satan's, to trap people who think they are still obeying God!

It was written in the Old Testament that the Messiah was to suffer and die, and here Satan is offering what seems to be an easy alternative. But if Jesus had bowed, He would have been saying that Satan was the master, and Jesus would now serve him.

Find the underlined words in the grid.

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