

MESSAGE: Trials in the Wilderness TEXT: Matthew 4:1-11 DATE: February 12, 2017 (a.m.) SPEAKER: Doug Johnson

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Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.² And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. ³Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." ⁴ But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."¹ ⁵ Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone."⁷ Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.'"⁸ Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve."¹¹ Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

I. THE <u>APPEAL</u> FOR THE <u>PHYSICAL</u>

II. THE <u>APPEAL</u> FOR SPIRITUAL <u>PROFIT</u> (personal gain)

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