



### **Week 3- “Overcoming Temptation”**

**In this series we are taking a few weeks to discover who Jesus is through Luke’s Gospel. He wrote an account of the True story of Jesus so that we could know the difference between grace and works. We hope to discover who Jesus is, and what He did for us. In this week’s message, we explore a passage that can seem difficult. We discover in this passage that Jesus navigated something that we all face, and He offers us real help when we face temptations too.**

#### **Read Luke 4:1-13**

1. Why do you think it is important to acknowledge that there is a devil behind brokenness and evil, and that he is tempting you?
2. Have you ever taken an honest look at what you reach for in order to find fulfillment, hope, life, satisfaction...? Why or why not?
3. How can acknowledging what you reach for inform what identity you are trusting, the one you are striving for, or who you are in Christ?
3. The devil repeatedly said, “*If you are the Son of God.*” Why do you think he attacked Jesus’ identity?
4. What’s the difference between simply knowing Scripture and allowing Scripture to point you to the Savior?
5. In what ways has following Jesus’ example simply not worked in your life?

### **Read Romans 5:8**

6. What does it say about God's love for you that He sent Jesus to be struck so that you could become God's son or daughter?
7. Why do you think forgetting your identity is one of the greatest temptations you can face?
8. What practical steps can you take to remember Jesus and who you are in Him when you find yourself facing temptations?

**The greatest temptation for a Christian is to forget that we are Sons and Daughters of God. When we forget that we will look to temporary things to fill us, we will look to our kingdoms to find hope, and we will forget that He is with us and loves us. But if we can remember that the Son of God was struck, so that we could become sons and daughters of God, it will give us the strength to overcome. Remember how Jesus taught us to pray:**

***“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.” Matthew 6:9-***