

Group Guide Week 1 | February 3rd - 8th

Don't Take The Bait | Luke 4:1-13

How To Fight The Devil Big Idea

Don't take the bait. God tests us to move us forward. Satan tempts us to hold us back.

First Group Meeting

Handout Group Covenants and have members sign. Explain Crosstraining and where to find it.

Start Talking: Choose one conversation starter for your group.

What's the longest time you've ever gone without eating? What do you remember about how you felt?

What's one of your all-time favorite foods or guilty pleasures? How often do you eat it?

Start Thinking: Read the story - Luke 4:1-13

Have someone read the story and encourage everyone to follow along with a Bible or app. Have someone else re-read Luke 4:1-4

Start Sharing: What is God Saying to You?

Everyone choose to answer (at least one) of the 5 questions below:

1. Did anything in this passage capture your Attention?
2. What did you Like about this passage?
3. Did anything Bother or Challenge you? Why?
4. Was anything Confusing? What?
5. Share how God spoke to you during the message Sunday?

Start Praying: Talk to God

Take prayer requests, pray as a group and then send them in a group message.

Start Planning: What's going on next week

Take time to make any plans you need to make for next week's group time.

Additional Questions and Resources

Pick and choose any questions your group would like to answer if time permits.

If the devil had three “shots” at you, what three temptations would he use?

What do you think is the biggest temptation for others in your family? Is it easier to see temptations in someone else? Why or why not?

Do think the Devil’s bait seemed bad in the moment? How can we apply that to our temptations?

Start Doing: What Does God Want You To Do?

Make a list of what is most tempting to you and write them out. Think about the trade-off of those temptations and the cost. Would it be worth it?

What is one clear action step you could take this week after reading the passage and discussing it?

Jesus Is Tempted in the Wilderness

4 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, 2 where for forty days he was tempted[a] by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

3 The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.”

4 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone.’”

5 The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. 6 And he said to him, “I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. 7 If you worship me, it will all be yours.”

8 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.’”

9 The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down from here. 10 For it is written:

“‘He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; 11 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’”

12 Jesus answered, “It is said: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

13 When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.