

Daily Reflections on God's Word

Overland church of Christ Week44 2021 – Additional Studies on Sunday Sermons

SundayAM: “Temptations and Assurances” (Bruce Hastings) – study of the temptations of Christ in Matthew 4:1-11...and how Christ handled each temptation with an “it is written” from God’s Word.

Monday Scripture: Matthew 4:1-4

Key Idea: Christ was tempted to prioritize flesh/hunger but He put God’s Word and spiritual things first.

Study Questions: What physical desire did Christ have after fasting? Was He weak physically? How did Satan use this time to tempt Him? What was the temptation? How did Christ respond to the temptation?

Action Item: What is a daily temptation you battle? Memorize a Scripture to use against that temptation.

Tuesday Scripture: Matthew 4:5-7

Key Idea: Christ was tempted with “pride of life” with “if You are God’s Son...” but did not give into it.

Study Questions: Where was Jesus taken for the temptation? Why is it significant (hint: audience)? Did Satan tempt with anything false? Why is “motive/intent” important with truth? How did Christ respond?

Example: Jesus considered “just *one* little sin” a very big deal - He was set on being a Holy, Perfect Savior.

Wednesday Scripture: Matthew 4:8-11

Midweek Prep: Self-denial of “rights” to do God’s will is a great example (e.g. Jesus, Uriah, Paul, et al).

SundayPM: “Joshua 5:1-12 - An Often Overlooked Passage” (Curtis Carwile) - Old and New Testament application of God’s inheritance, how God gives names of significance, and God’s better blessings.

Thursday Scripture: Joshua 5:1-7

Key Idea: Israel, as “invading army”, obeyed God’s instructions which required great faith and trust.

Study Questions: How did the kings of the land feel about Israel crossing over? What did God have all the men of Israel do? Why? Did this make them vulnerable? How did it test their faith and trust in God?

Godly Refuge: No hope without God - but with Him, we go from sinner to heir and damned to delivered.

Friday Scripture: Joshua 5:8-12

Key Idea: God made a memorial name for the place of obedience and gave them better food in the land.

Study Questions: What does the name Gilgal mean? What are other examples of significant memorial names in the Bible? Why was manna not intended to stay forever? What better was given to them?

Prayer Idea: Thanksgiving for redemption, relationship, access, belonging, strength, and hope in Christ.

Saturday Scripture: Colossians 2:11-13

Sunday Prep: How can you encourage your brethren in Christ in their daily struggles with sin and trials?
