

7th New Testament Gospels

The Temptation of Jesus

Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13

Once again, we get one of those stories that is counter-productive to the spread of the Gospel about the Messiah, for it shows Jesus at his most vulnerable and most human.

“Immediately. . .”

“Led by the Spirit”

Location: Wilderness

40 Days/Nights

3 Temptations

All 3 temptations are a challenge to Jesus’ identity as the Son of God. “If you really are the Son . . .”

Sets up false logic - If you are the son - turn stones to bread

If you are not - don’t turn them

1.

2.

3.

Jesus' Response(s)

Meaning/Connections

- There are strong connections between Jesus' experience in the wilderness and the wilderness wanderings of the Israelites following the Exodus.

Israel. . .

Jesus . . .