

# SATAN’S STRATEGIES, JESUS’ STRENGTH

Luke 4.1-13

The Gospel writer, Luke, continues to introduce us to Jesus. In this passage, he shares how Jesus was tempted by the devil and how Jesus was able to overcome those temptations.

## The three basic areas the devil will tempt us:

1. **APPETITE** v3

2. **AMBITION** vv6-7

3. **APPROVAL** vv9-11

*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.* John 10.10

## Jesus shows us how to combat temptation:

1. He knew **WHO HE WAS**.

*“You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”* Luke 3.22

\_\_\_\_\_ is a child of God. God loves me. God likes me!

2. He knew **SCRIPTURE**. v4,8,12

*I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.*

Psalm 119.11

*Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.*

Psalm 119.105

3. Which area of temptation is your ‘Achilles heel’? If it is...

**Appetite:** Implement a **FAST**

*He ate nothing during those days...*

Luke 4.2

**Ambition:** Choose to **LOSE**

*“..the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

Mark 10.45

*In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!*

Philippians 2.5-8

**Approval:** Remove **YOURSELF**

*After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, “Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.” Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.*

John 6.14-15

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**What is God saying to me?**

**What am I going to do about it?**

**Love God, Love Others, Learn Jesus, DO SOMETHING!**

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