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Scripture Reading – Matthew 4:1-11 KJV

Main Idea – The only way to overcome the devil's temptations and/or spiritual attacks is by "being strong in the Lord and the power of His might" (Ephesians 6:10-11).

Memory Verse - 1 John 2:15-17

Point to Ponder – We can only be tempted with the lust that is already within us. However, relying on the Word of God is more than enough to overcome it (James 1:14).

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Let's examine 4 important areas in Matthew & Luke's accounts about overcoming temptation:

I. *Lust of the flesh (Matthew 4:2-3).*

a) Galatians 5:16-21 –

b) James 1:13-15 –

c) Colossians 3:5 –

d) Romans 13:14 –

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II. *Lust of the eyes (Matthew 4:5-6).*

a) Genesis 3:6 -

b) Matthew 6:22-23 -

c) Matthew 18:8-9 -

d) Job 31:1 -

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III. *The pride of life (Matthew 4:8-9).*

a) James 4:6 –

- b) Proverbs 16:18 –
- c) Jeremiah 9:23-24 –
- d) 1 Peter 5:6 –

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IV. Overcoming temptation (Matthew 4:4, Matthew 4:7 & Matthew 4:10).

- a) Ephesians 6:10-11 -
- b) Ephesians 6:17b -
- c) 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 -
- d) Hebrews 4:12 -

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Famous Quote: *“Too many Christians have a commitment of convenience. They'll stay faithful as long as it's safe and doesn't involve risk, rejection, or criticism. Instead of standing alone in the face of*

challenge or temptation, they check to see which way their friends are going.” - Dr. Charles Stanley