

WEEK 2: Jesus Is Tempted

Big Idea: Jesus shows us how to resist temptation.

HANGOUT

1. Ask the kids to rate their temptation level from 1-10 in the following situations (1 = not tempting; 10 = extremely tempting):
 - Your grandma puts a plate of freshly baked chocolate chip cookies on the counter, then tells you not to have one before dinner. How tempting would it be to have a cookie when she leaves the kitchen?
 - Your teacher places test answers on her desk where you can see them. How tempting would it be to peek at them?
 - Your parents say no game time until after your homework is done—and you have a lot of work to do! How tempting would it be to rush or skip something so you can play sooner?
 - You find \$5 on the floor in your classroom. How tempting would it be to keep the money instead of asking if somebody lost it?
2. Discuss: Have you ever been tempted to do the wrong thing in a situation like these ones? Was it easy or difficult to make a good choice?
3. Introduce this week's Big Idea: **Jesus shows us how to resist temptation.**
4. If possible, tell the kids about an age-appropriate example of a time when you faced temptation. Emphasize that we can ask Jesus to help us and he always will!

Watch this week's video on the Kids and Youth playlist at youtube.com/themeetinghouse

HEAR

5. Explain that Jesus faced temptation just like we do! Let the kids know that today's story from the Bible is about a time when Jesus was tempted. We can follow his example and resist temptation, too.
6. Look up and read Matthew 4:1-11.
7. Discuss:
 - Where was Jesus when he experienced this time of temptation? (see verse 1)
 - How long did Jesus fast, or go without food? (see verse 2)
 - How do you think Jesus may have felt after all that time without food?
 - What's the first way Satan asked Jesus to prove he was the Son of God? (see verse 3)
 - What did Jesus say to resist Satan in verse 4?
 - What's the second way that Satan tempted Jesus? (see verse 6)
 - What did Jesus say to resist Satan in verse 7?
 - In verse 8, what did Satan offer Jesus for kneeling down and worshipping him?
 - How did Jesus reply? (see verse 10)

HUDDLE

8. Provide paper and markers. Direct the kids to draw a picture of a time when they faced temptation, or of someone in a tempting situation. Write the Big Idea (**Jesus shows us how to resist temptation**) in large, clear letters on a piece of paper for everyone to copy onto their own paper. Help the kids with writing as needed.
9. Encourage everyone to keep their drawings as a reminder that whenever we face temptation, we can always ask Jesus to help us and he will!
10. Pray, "Dear God, thank you for each of these amazing kids [say each one's name if possible]! Thank you that Jesus always sets the best example for us. Please help us remember that we can pray and ask for help anytime, no matter what. Thank you for forgiving us when we don't get it right. We love you! Amen."

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