The Temptation of Jesus

Matthew 4:1-11

A Few Preliminary Questions

What is temptation? Where does temptation come from? What could Jesus know of temptation? What do Jesus' temptations have to do with me? What is Jesus being tempted with?

The Essence of the Three Temptations

The first temptation is to ______ the _____ of God ... Compare Jesus to Adam in the Garden: Compare Jesus to Israel in the Wilderness: Consider Jesus' response: Deuteronomy 8:1-6

The second temptation is to ______ the _____ of God ... Consider Jesus' response: Deuteronomy 6:16 No one should ever ______ upon God. No one should ______ the Word of God selfishly. Everyone should carefully ______ all the Word of God so that we understand and ______ it rightly.

The third temptation is to _____ the _____ of God ...

Consider Jesus' response: Deuteronomy 6:13-15

For Jesus, the entire world would be his "footstool". The cost was the ______.

Through ______ and _____, Jesus would be the _____ of all things (Heb. 1:2).

While Satan may tempt us with the fulfilment of every _____, what he ultimately delivers is ______, what he ultimately _____.

Our enemy is a ______ and will not – indeed ______ – give what he promises.

Some Lessons for Us

Jesus' response to temptation serves as more than – but not less that – a ______ for us. (Heb. 4:15) Will I trust in the goodness of God regardless of my ______? When there is a tension between what God's Word ______ and what I _____, will I ______ to His will or give in to mine? Will I make any ______ for His sake?

Jesus is a	_ for me when we face temptation. (Heb. 2:18)
No one understands our	better than Jesus.
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No one understands the	more than Jesus.
No one wants us to	more than Jesus.

Jesus' success over temptation is our _____. (Gal. 3:16)

Jesus is the new and better _____. Where Adam failed, Jesus succeeded.

Jesus is our new representative head and the beginning of a new people.

Jesus is the true ______ of God. Where Israel faltered, Jesus triumphed.

Every promise made to Abraham is fulfilled in Jesus.

He could not give his life as a ransom for our sins if he had sins of his own to pay for. He is the forever spotless Lamb of God (1 Peter 1:19) who takes away the sins of the world!

My Response: