

LEARNER TAKE-HOME SHEET: THE WILDERNESS TEMPTATIONS

Luke 4:1-15, Matthew 4:1-11, Mark 1:12-13



KEY WORDS

Keep a family white board someplace near the dinner table, and write these words on it. Try writing a family definition for each one during the week.

TEMPTATION

SCRIPTURE

HOLY SPIRIT

SATAN

Take this sheet home and keep it someplace near the dinner table like on the fridge. At least three times next week at dinner, use Prayer Time and one other family activity to make your confirmation learning come alive!

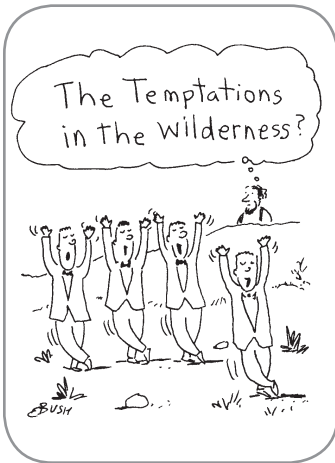
PRAYER TIME

Gather as a family around a wastepaper basket. On scraps of paper, each person writes the one thing that is most tempting for them. Pray the following prayer. After the prayer, throw the paper in the wastepaper basket.

Lord God, we are sinful people, tempted constantly by things that threaten to take us away from you. We are also your children, saved by your Son. Help us to resist temptation and live a life of trust in you. Amen

TALK TIME

- As Christians, we are called to proclaim the good news of Christ through word and deed. What are some concrete things we can do in our community to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ? What makes the things we do in the name of Christ different from things other “good” people might do?
- Parents: What are some of the temptations faced by adults? Share a time when you were tempted. How can you teach your children to deal with temptation in a way that shows your faith in God?
- It is very difficult to trust in something we cannot see. In what ways can we demonstrate to friends and family our trust in Christ? Talk about a realistic hypothetical situation of temptation and how trust in Christ might lead you through it.
- What role does God’s word play in our family life?



WEB TIME

Enter the words *money* and *Holy Spirit* into any search engine and compare the number of sites that come up for each word. What does this comparison tell you about the importance of each in our society? Why is money so tempting and how can the Holy Spirit help?

RITUAL TIME

Think about and discuss a Bible story that helps remind your family of God’s love for you. On a piece of paper, draw a picture or decoratively write several key words from the story and hang the paper in a place where every member of the family can see it daily.