

Sunday, June 21 At Home Bible Study Guide

A time to be thankful –Let's not forget to be thankful. Take a few minutes to share what you're thankful for right now.

What is one takeaway from Pastor Dave's message today?

We studied Matthew 4:1-11 last week. We are going to read it again and then look a little more into why God's Word is so important.

Read Matthew 4:1-11 and as you read it, think of one word that sticks out to you.

What word stuck out to you as you read today's passage?

Now let's dive a little deeper and look at some other verses that talk about God's Word. Remember, the goal is simply for us to learn from God's Word this morning and grow together.

Look up these other verses about the Word of God and **talk about what they tell us about God's Word and how we should respond to His Word.**

Genesis 1:3 (all of the creation story as God says and it was)

Joshua 1:8

2 Samuel 22:31

Ezra 7:10

Psalms 19:7-11

Psalms 119:9

Psalms 119:11

Psalms 119:105

Isaiah 40:8

2 Timothy 3:16-17

James 1:22

“Spiritual Self-Defense”

Matthew 4:3-11, NIV84

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Matthew 4:3, MSG

A SPIRITUAL SELF-DEFENSE COURSE:

HOW CAN WE DEFEND OURSELVES FROM THE SINS
THAT OFTEN CAUSE SUCH HAVOC IN OUR LIVES?

WEEK #1:

1. Watch Out After A _____ Spiritual Experience.

- ❖ *After the wonderful experience of His Baptism, Jesus was led into the desert to be tempted by the devil.*
- ❖ After every mountain top, there's a valley.

2. Watch Out Whenever You Have An _____ Need.

- ❖ *“The devil took advantage of Jesus' extreme hunger in the first test: 'Since You are God's Son speak the word that will turn these stones into loaves of bread.'” Matthew 4:3, MSG*
- ❖ Getting you to sin is the best way that the devil can hurt you!

WEEK #2:

Introduction: A Tuna Run Near Cape Cod.

*The fisherman underestimated the power of
the huge fish they were trying to catch!*

3. Watch Out After You _____ In Your Life.

- ❖ Jesus was already the pain & pleasure test.

A. THE MATURITY TEST: (v.3-4)

- ❖ *“The tempter came to Him and said, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.” Matthew 4:3*
- ❖ A DEFINITION OF MATURITY: Maturity is the ability to endure _____ pain & to delay _____ pleasure.
- ❖ Ask Yourself: *“Do I take the easy way when there's a better way or a better time?”*