

DEAL OR NO DEAL

MAKING A DEAL WITH THE DEVIL

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FOCAL PASSAGE: LUKE 4: 1-13 (NLT)

1. _____ OF MAKING A DEAL WITH THE DEVIL

"Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour." 1 Peter 5: 8 (NLT)

"Beware of false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravaging wolves." Matthew 7:15 (CSB)

2. THE _____ OF MAKING A DEAL WITH THE DEVIL

"Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan River. He was led by the Spirit in the wilderness..." Luke 4: 1

A. KNOW _____ IS WHO YOU ARE DEALING WITH.

"He was tempted by the devil for forty days." v. 2

B. KNOW _____ IS OFFERED THROUGH TEMPTATION.

"Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away."
James 1:14 (NLT)

• APPEALS TO _____ DESIRES. (lust of flesh)

Jesus ate nothing all that time and became very hungry. Then the devil said to Him,
'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become a loaf of bread.' v.3

• APPEALS TO DESIRE FOR _____ (lust of eyes)

"Then the devil took Him up and revealed to Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. 'I will give you the glory of these kingdoms and authority over them,' the devil said, 'because they are mine to give to anyone I please. I will give it all to you if you will worship me.'" - vs. 5-7

• APPEALS TO OUR DESIRE OF _____ (pride of life)

"Then the devil took Him to Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, and said, 'If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, 'He will order His angels to protect and guard you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'" - vs. 9-11

C. KNOW _____ INVOLVES _____.

"Jesus told him, 'No! The Scriptures say, 'people do not live by bread alone.'" - v.4

"Jesus replied, 'The Scriptures say, 'You must worship the Lord your God and serve only Him.'" v. 8

"Jesus responded, 'The Scriptures also say, 'You must not test the Lord your God.'" - v. 12

YOU OVERCOME TEMPTATION BY _____

FOR IT THROUGH _____.

D. KNOW THE _____

HAS _____.

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YOU OVERCOME TEMPTATION BY TRAINING

FOR IT THROUGH SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES.

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HAS CONSEQUENCES.

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