

JESUS CHRIST
SON OF MAN
FINAL PREPARATION OF JESUS FOR HIS MINISTRY [CONT]

4. THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS

- a. **Luke 4:1-13** Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. ³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." ⁴Jesus answered, "**It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone.'**" ⁵The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor, for it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷So if you worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸Jesus answered, "**It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'**" ⁹The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. ¹⁰For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; ¹¹they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'" ¹²Jesus answered, "**It says: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'**" ¹³When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

i. THE TESTING OF MAN [40 DAYS]

- (1) **Genesis 3:6** When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.
- (2) **1 Corinthians 15:45** So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit.
- (3) **1 John 2:15-17** Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶For everything in the world--the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does--comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.
 - (A) SHE SAW [MUCH SIN COMES AFTER WE LOOK AND THEN WE LUST]
 - (B) IT WILL BE OUR DEED.
 - (I) SATIN MAY TEMPT, BUT HE CANNOT FORCE
 - (II) MAY PERSUADE US TO CAST OURSELVES DOWN, BUT HE CANNOT CAST US DOWN
 - (C) JESUS WAS LED, NOW HE WAS AWAY FROM THOSE WHO LOVED HIM, SATIN HAD AN ADVANTAGE.
 - (I) JESUS [MAN] WOULD NOT BATTLE SATIN IN HIS POWER, BUT IN THE POWER OF THE WORD. [THE SWORD OF GOD, MANS WEAPON]
 - (D) LOOK CLOSELY AT VERSE 6, JESUS GOT ALL THIS THROUGH OBEDIENCE. WHAT HAVE WE SEEN ABOUT MAN IN THE BOOK OF LUKE UP TO THIS POINT?
 - (E) JESUS SHOW YOUR POWER, YOU KNOW GOD WILL NOT ALLOW YOU TO BE HURT. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS A LIE.
 - (I) GOD HAS NOT GIVEN US THE HOLY SPIRIT TO BE A SHOW, TO ADVANCE OURSELVES.

II. THE BATTLE OF MAN

(1) THE WEAPONS

- (a) **Ephesians 6:11-18** Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹²For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

- (B) IF YOU WILL PUT IT ON, YOU HAVE THREE BLESSINGS FROM GOD
 - (I) ABILITY TO STAND AGAINST ALL ENEMIES
 - (II) ABILITY TO WITHSTAND ALL ATTACKS
 - (III) ABILITY TO QUENCH EVERY FIERY DART.
 - 1) WHO DOES THIS?
 - A) ¹³THEREFORE PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD,
- (2) TWO KINDS OF ARMOR
 - (A) DEFENSE OR PROTECTION
 - (I) THE HELMET OF SALVATION - THIS HELMET HAS MANY FIGURES ON IT. IT REPRESENTS MANY IDEAS. KNOWING YOUR SALVATION, WHO DOES IT COME FROM. HOW DID YOU GET IT. HOW DO YOU KEEP IT. PROTECT YOUR MIND.
 - (II) THE GIRDLE OF TRUTH - THIS IS TIGHT AROUND YOU, TO HOLD YOUR WEAPONS. MEANING THAT YOU MUST HOLD TIGHT TO THE TRUTH, IT MUST SURROUND YOU.
 - (III) THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS - TO PROTECT YOU. AGAIN YOU MUST PUT IT ON. WHERE DOES IT COME FROM? IT IS TO PROTECT YOUR HEART.
 - (IV) FEET AND LEGS COVERED WITH THE "READINESS THAT COMES FROM THE GOSPEL OF PEACE. PEACE WITH WHO? BETWEEN WHO? WHAT IS THE GOSPEL? WHAT READINESS?
 - (V) THE SHIELD OF FAITH. TO PROTECT THE BODY FROM BLOWS AND CUTS. WHERE DOES IT COME FROM? WHOSE IS IT?
 - (B) OFFENSIVE WEAPONS
 - (I) AND THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT, WHICH IS THE WORD OF GOD. THIS WEAPON IS TO DESTROY THE ENEMY AND BRING HIS SURRENDER.
- (3) DO WE SEE JESUS THE MAN USING ANY OF THESE WEAPONS. IS HE SHOWING US HOW TO USE THEM? Are they available to us? What is the result when we use them?

MINISTRY AND TEACHING OF JESUS

1. BEGINS MINISTRY IN GALILEE
 - a. Luke 4: ¹⁴Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.
 - I. JESUS WENT OUT LEAD OF THE SPIRIT, AND NOW YOU SEE HIM RETURNING IN THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT.
 - (1) CAN WE SEE THE RESULTS OF THIS BATTLE.
 - (A) DO YOU THINK YOU WILL HAVE THIS BATTLE?
 - (I) IF YOU DO NOT WIN IT, WHAT WILL HAPPEN?
 - (2) AND WHAT DID THIS POWER DO? WHAT WAS THE RESULT? DO WE NEED THIS TODAY?
2. FIRST SERMON IN HIS HOME TOWN
 - a. Luke 4: ¹⁵⁻²⁷He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. ¹⁶He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. ¹⁷The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: ¹⁸"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." ²⁰Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, ²¹and he began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked. ²³Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself! Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.'" ²⁴"I tell you the truth," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed--only Naaman the Syrian."
 - I. HE TAUGHT AND EVERYONE PRAISED HIM.
 - II. JESUS RETURNS HOME.

- (1) HE SAYS GOD HAS A MESSAGE FOR HIM TO GIVE. WHAT IS THAT MESSAGE?
- III. PEOPLE ARE STILL HAPPY WITH HIM.
- IV. BUT THESE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SEE JESUS HOW? WHEN YOU LOOK UPON A CHILD OF GOD, HOW DO YOU CHOOSE TO SEE THEM? WHAT WILL THIS DO TO JESUS'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEM?
- V. BUT NOW JESUS TELLS ABOUT ELIJAH AND NAAMAN. EVERYONE GETS UPSET WITH HIM, WHY?
 - (1) THIS JESUS, THIS MAN HAD A MESSAGE TO GIVE TO THOSE GOD HAD CHOSEN, HE HAS HEALING FOR THOSE GOD WANTS HEALED. IT IS CALLED THE SOVEREIGN WILL OF GOD.
 - (A) THIS STILL ANGERS PROUD PEOPLE TODAY.
 - (I) SHE OR HE DOES NOT DESERVE THAT, WHY THEM AND NOT ME?
- 3. THE EFFECT OF HIS SERMON: 2ND ATTEMPT TO KILL JESUS
 - a. Luke 4: ²⁸⁻³⁰All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.
 - I. ON WHAT IS THIS TOWN BUILT? LOOK AT THE PREVIOUS VERSES AND SEE WHAT THE TOWN SHOULD HAVE BEEN BUILT ON.
 - II. THEIR BELIEVES WANTED TO DESTROY HIM. JESUS COMES WITH GOOD NEWS. ARE WE BRINGING GOOD NEWS TO PEOPLE OR ARE WE OUT TO DESTROY THEM?
 - III. YOU COME AT JESUS WITH THIS ATTITUDE AND HE WILL WALK RIGHT THROUGH YOU AND GO ON HIS WAY.
- 4. MAKES CAPERNAUM HIS HEADQUARTERS
 - a. Luke 4: ³¹⁻³²then He Went down to Capernaum, a Town in Galilee, and on the Sabbath Began to Teach the People. ³²they Were Amazed at His Teaching, Because His Message Had Authority.
 - I. ON THE SABBATH TELLS US WHERE JESUS IS DOING THIS TEACHING.
 - II. AND WHAT IS DIFFERENT ABOUT HIS MESSAGE. AND WHERE IS THIS COMING FROM?
- 5. JESUS CASTS OUT AN UNCLEAN SPIRIT.
 - a. Luke 4: ³³⁻³⁷In the synagogue there was a man possessed by a demon, an evil spirit. He cried out at the top of his voice, ³⁴"Ha! What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are--the Holy One of God!" ³⁵"Be quiet!" Jesus said sternly. "Come out of him!" Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him. ³⁶All the people were amazed and said to each other, "What is this teaching? With authority and power he gives orders to evil spirits and they come out!" ³⁷And the news about him spread throughout the surrounding area.
 - I. WHERE IS THIS MAN? WHAT IS HIS CONDITION.
 - II. TWO THINGS THE DEMON KNOWS!
 - III. HERE YOU SEE THE MISSION OF JESUS, TO DESTROY THE POWER OF DARKNESS. HERE IN THE LIFE OF ONE MAN.
 - IV. HERE YOU SEE THE DEMON THROW THE MAN DOWN, WHY DID SATIN NOT THROUGH JESUS DOWN, WHY CAN'T HE THROUGH YOU DOWN?
 - V. HERE YOU SEE THAT THE PEOPLE ALSO KNOW SOMETHING. WHAT IS HAPPENING [THIS TEACHING]
 - (1) JESUS IS DOING THIS WITH AUTHORITY AND POWER.
- 6. PETER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW HEALED
 - a. Luke 4: ³⁸⁻³⁹Jesus left the synagogue and went to the home of Simon. Now Simon's mother-in-law was

suffering from a high fever, and they asked Jesus to help her. ³⁹So he bent over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up at once and began to wait on them.

I. JESUS COMES INTO THIS HOME. WHAT HAPPENS NOW? WHY?

II. JESUS BEFORE DEALT WITH THE PRESENCE OF DARKNESS, NOW HE DEALS WITH THE RESULT OF DARKNESS. WHAT DOES HE DO. WHAT DOES THIS SAY ABOUT FEVER? THEN WHAT HAPPENS?

(1) **Acts 28:8** His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him.

7. DEMONS CAST OUT AND MANY MORE HEALED

a. Luke 4:⁴⁰⁻⁴¹ When the sun was setting, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them. ⁴¹Moreover, demons came out of many people, shouting, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Christ.

I. WHEN THE SUN WAS SETTING.

(1) THE PEOPLE FELT WHAT JESUS WAS DOING WAS WORK, THEREFORE IT COULD NOT BE DONE ON THE SABBATH

II. JESUS INTERACTION WITH THE DEMONS

(1) DEMONS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE WAS THE MESSIAH OR CHRIST.

(A) JESUS REFUSED THEIR TESTIMONY BECAUSE HE WOULD BE ACCUSED OF BEING IN LEAGUE WITH THEM.

(B) HE WOULD NOT ACCEPT TESTIMONY FROM SATAN WHO SOUGHT TO DISCREDIT HIS WORK AND DOCTRINE.

(2) THE NATURE OF DEMONS

(A) THEY ARE EVIL

(i) **Judges 9:23** God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the citizens of Shechem, who acted treacherously against Abimelech.

(ii) **1 Samuel 18:9-10** And from that time on Saul kept a jealous eye on David. ¹⁰The next day an evil spirit from God came forcefully upon Saul. He was prophesying in his house, while David was playing the harp, as he usually did. Saul had a spear in his hand

(B) INTELLIGENT AND WISE

(i) **1 Kings 22:22-24** " 'By what means?' the LORD asked." 'I will go out and be a lying spirit in the mouths of all his prophets,' he said." 'You will succeed in enticing him,' said the LORD. 'Go and do it.' ²³"So now the LORD has put a lying spirit in the mouths of all these prophets of yours. The LORD has decreed disaster for you." ²⁴Then Zedekiah son of Kenaanah went up and slapped Micaiah in the face. "Which way did the spirit from the LORD go when he went from me to speak to you?" he asked.

(ii) **Acts 16:16** Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling.

(C) DISEMBODIED SPIRITS

(i) **Revelations 16:13-16** Then I saw three evil spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet. ¹⁴They are spirits of demons performing miraculous signs, and they go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty. ¹⁵"Behold, I come like a thief! Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed." ¹⁶Then they gathered the kings together to the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.

(D) NOT ANGELS

(i) **Acts 23:8-9** (The Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, and that there are neither angels nor spirits, but the Pharisees acknowledge them all.) ⁹There was a great uproar, and some of the teachers of the law who were Pharisees stood up and argued vigorously.

"We find nothing wrong with this man," they said. "What if a spirit or an angel has spoken to him?"

III. DO DEMONS GIVE RECOGNITION TO YOU?

- (1) **Acts 19:13-17** Some Jews who went around driving out evil spirits tried to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who were demon-possessed. They would say, "In the name of Jesus, whom Paul preaches, I command you to come out." ¹⁴Seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this. ¹⁵One day the evil spirit answered them, "Jesus I know, and I know about Paul, but who are you?" ¹⁶Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them all. He gave them such a beating that they ran out of the house naked and bleeding. ¹⁷When this became known to the Jews and Greeks living in Ephesus, they were all seized with fear, and the name of the Lord Jesus was held in high honor.

(A) IN LIGHT OF WHAT WE HAVE READ, WHY JESUS, WHY PAUL? WHY NOT THESE?

8. SECOND TOUR OF GALILEE

- a. Luke 4:⁴²⁻⁴⁴ At daybreak Jesus went out to a solitary place. The people were looking for him and when they came to where he was, they tried to keep him from leaving them. ⁴³But he said, "**I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent.**" ⁴⁴And he kept on preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

I. THE DIFFERENCE FROM THESE AND THOSE OF HIS HOME TOWN.

II. THE PREACHING OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS WITH POWER

- (1) **John 5:36** "I have testimony weightier than that of John. For the very work that the Father has given me to finish, and which I am doing, testifies that the Father has sent me.
- (2) **John 9:4** As long as it is day, we must do the work of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work.
- (3) **John 10:38** But if I do it, even though you do not believe me, believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father."
- (4) **John 14:11** Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.

(A) JESUS NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO SAYS THIS.

- (i) **Romans 15:18-19** I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done-- ¹⁹by the power of signs and miracles, through the power of the Spirit. So from Jerusalem all the way around to Illyricum, I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ.
- (ii) **Romans 15:29** I know that when I come to you, I will come in the full measure of the blessing of Christ.
- (iii) **1 Corinthians 4:20** For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.
- (iv) **Hebrews 2:3-4** how shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. ⁴God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.