

Grace Guide



MARCH 3-9

MONDAY
3/3

GENESIS 3:1-7

The serpent's deception led Adam and Eve to doubt God's word, and their choice to eat the forbidden fruit brought sin into the world. Humanity, created in God's image, was now separated from Him. This passage highlights our need for a Redeemer—one who would conquer sin and restore what was lost. Jesus, the Son of Man, came to undo the curse brought by Adam's disobedience. Where Adam failed in the garden, Jesus would prevail in the wilderness, resisting temptation and remaining faithful to God.

1. What strategies did the serpent use to deceive Adam and Eve, and how do similar temptations appear in our lives today?
2. How does sin distort our relationship with God and our relationship with other people?

TUESDAY

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JOB 1:6-12

Job was a righteous man, yet Satan sought to test him, accusing him before God. This passage reminds us that trials and temptations are not always punishments but can be part of God's greater plan. Jesus, too, faced the testing of Satan. Unlike Adam, who failed when tempted, Jesus remained faithful. The Son of Man fully understands our struggles because He, too, was tested. His victory over temptation gives us confidence to endure our own trials, knowing He intercedes for us.

1. Why do you think God allowed Job to be tested, and what does this reveal about God's sovereignty?
2. How do you respond when faced with hardships and temptations? Do they draw you closer to God or push you away?

WEDNESDAY

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DANIEL 7:13-14 REVELATION 1:12-18

Daniel's vision of the Son of Man coming with the clouds reveals a figure who is given dominion, glory, and an everlasting kingdom. This prophecy is fulfilled in Jesus, who referred to Himself as the Son of Man and now reigns as the victorious King. In Revelation, John encounters the risen Christ in His full glory—His face shining like the sun, His voice like rushing waters, and His words like a double-edged sword. Jesus is not only the humble servant who faced temptation and suffering, but the victorious Lord who holds the keys to death and Hades. Because He reigns forever, we can live in confidence, knowing that He has overcome sin, death, and all the forces of darkness.

1. What does knowing that Jesus is both the suffering Son of Man and the reigning King mean to you in how you follow Jesus today?
2. How do Daniel's and John's visions of the Son of Man impact your trust in God's sovereignty?

THURSDAY

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1 JOHN 2:15-17

John warns believers against loving the world and its desires. The temptations we face—lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and pride of life—are the same schemes Satan used against Adam and Eve and later against Jesus in the wilderness. While the world promises fulfillment, it ultimately leads to emptiness. In contrast, Jesus chose obedience to the Father over temporary pleasures. As His followers, we are called to set our hearts on the will of God, which leads to eternal life.

1. What does it mean to "love the world," and how can worldly desires distract us from our faith?
2. How does this passage challenge you to evaluate your priorities and choices?

FRIDAY

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PSALM 91

Psalm 91 speaks of God's protection and faithfulness. Interestingly, Satan misquoted this passage when tempting Jesus (tomorrow's journal), trying to twist God's Word for his own purposes. However, Jesus understood that trusting God does not mean testing Him. Instead, He fully relied on the Father's care in the right way. This psalm reminds us that when we abide in God's presence, we are under His protection—not to avoid suffering, but to remain secure in His love no matter what we face.

1. How does Scripture lead you to trust God more fully?
2. Why is it important to understand Scripture correctly, as Jesus did, rather than twisting it for our own desires?

SATURDAY/
SUNDAY
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LUKE 4:1-13

After fasting for forty days (like Moses in Exodus 34:28), Jesus was tempted by the devil in the wilderness. Each temptation sought to undermine His trust in God's plan. Yet, unlike Adam, who failed in the garden, Jesus resisted the devil's schemes. He relied on God's Word, demonstrating the power of obedience and faith. As the Son of Man, Jesus fully experienced temptation yet remained sinless. His victory in the wilderness foreshadowed His ultimate triumph over sin and death, securing our redemption.

1. How are Jesus' temptations similar to what John tells us each believer is tempted with (Thursday's reading: 1 John 2:15-17)?
2. How did Jesus respond to each of Satan's temptations, and what can we learn from His example?

Verse for the week:

**"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.**

**I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."**

(Psalm 91:1-2)

SERMON NOTES
