

CHALLENGE

- Satan took Jesus to high mountain; could see out for miles; said to Jesus, *"I will give You all You see if You will fall down and worship me"*

- God's plan is for Jesus to be the King one day over all of heaven and earth

- But first, needed to do what God the Father had sent Him here to do; die on cross for sinners like you and me

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Heb. 9:22 – "... Without shedding of blood is no remission."

- Jesus knew Satan was trying to get Him to think that another way would be better than God's way

- Satan wanted Jesus to skip the cross and rule the world now

- If Jesus did that, you and I could never have our sins forgiven; never be made right with God

- Jesus, *"Get out of here, Satan! The Bible says, Worship only God; Serve and obey Him alone!"*

- I'm so glad Jesus used the tool God has given us to help us say no to sin – God's Word

- If already received Jesus

**G – Go over MT
YOU NEED TO KNOW GOD'S
WORD AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS**

**TRUE R – Review PAS verse
Psalm 119:11 – *"Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee."* (M.V.)**

O – Overview PAS examples
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W – Will you do it?

- If you haven't believed on Jesus as your Saviour, can't say no to sin. But God has made a wonderful promise for you.

INVITATION

Acts 16:31 – *"...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved...."*

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**BOW HEADS
RESPONSE**

LIFE OF CHRIST #5

Matt:3:1-6, 13-17; 4:1-11; Mark 1:4-13; Luke 3:1-16, 21-22; 4:1-13
John 1:29-34

- Sometimes choosing to do what's right is hard.

- Maybe someone says something unkind and your tempted to say something unkind back; maybe your right in the middle of a game and your mom asks for you to help her with something

- In the Bible, Jesus teaches us how to use a special tool to help us say no to sin and say yes to God; that's what we're going to talk about today

- At the time of our true story from the Bible today, Jesus was about 30 years old

- Now remember when Mary found out she was going to have baby, someone else found out they were going to have baby too – Elizabeth

- She named her son John; special job; Tell everyone Saviour God had promised was coming

- When John grew up; obeyed God; great crowds listened

FLASHCARD 5-1

- When they heard John speak. many were sorry that they had sinned so John would baptize them in the river (dip them down into the water and lift them back up)

- It showed they wanted to follow God and begin new life of loving and obeying Him

- One day as John was baptizing people by the river, Jesus came walking toward Him; probably knew Him, cousins

- Jesus wanted to be baptized

FLASHCARD 5-2

- John, *"No, you should be the one baptizing me!"*; knew who Jesus was

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- John knew who Jesus was

- Jesus told John that he had to be baptized in order to obey God perfectly, so John did

- Before this, God had told John that this is how he would know the Saviour that God had promised ...

- ...When he saw God the Holy Spirit come down and remain on Him, this would be the One

FLASHCARD 5-3

- That's exactly what happened next; after John brought Jesus out of water, God the Holy Spirit came down from Heaven in the form of a dove and rested on Jesus
- Then everyone heard a voice from heaven – the voice of God the Father; "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."
- Now John knew for sure that Jesus was the promised Saviour

FLASHCARD 5-4

- After this, God the Holy Spirit lead Jesus, God the Son, out into the wilderness to fast, pray, spend time alone with God the Father
- Fast-don't eat; instead spend all of your time praying and talking to God
- Bible says Jesus was out there praying and talking to God for 40 days and 40 nights – a long time!
- How would you feel after going one day with out food? Jesus went 40!
- The Bible says that after these 40 days and nights, He was hungry, and Satan, the enemy of God and all those who love Him, came to

tempt Jesus – He wanted Jesus to disobey God – sin

- Satan does the same thing to you and me today

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1 Kings 8:12 – "For there is no man who sinneth not. . . ."

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- Satan trying to get Jesus to disobey God ; Came to Jesus when He was tired and hungry; wanted to ruin God's plan for a Saviour

FLASHCARD 5-5

- Satan said to Him, "*If you are really the Son of God, turn these stones into bread*"
- Jesus was hungry; hadn't eaten for 40 days; of course would have wanted to turn the stones into bread, and could have!
- Jesus knew that was not what God the Father wanted Him to do. Remember He was supposed to fast and pray
- Satan was trying to trick Him; wanted Jesus to believe that He would be happier if He disobeyed God

- Jesus knew that wasn't true

- Used God's Word to remind Himself of what God said

- Said to Satan, "*God said, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*"

- What He was saying is that loving God and obeying Him is even more important than having food to eat; Jesus knew that was true!

- This was the tool Jesus used- God's Word

MT – YOU NEED TO KNOW GOD'S WORD AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS TRUE

- Jesus used God's Word to help him choose what is right
- Satan wasn't finished; tried again; took Jesus to the top of the temple, where people would go to worship God
- Said to Him, "*If you are really the Son of God, throw Yourself down. It is written, He shall give His angels charge over you.*"
- Satan was saying, if you really are God the Son, jump down and prove it; after all, God's Word says that His angels will keep you from harm

- This time, Satan used God's Word, but He changed it's meaning; Jesus knew that

- It would have been easy for Jesus to jump off that wall without being hurt; but that was not what God the Father wanted Jesus to do

- Again, Jesus used God's Word to state what was true so that He would make the right choice

- Jesus said to Satan, "*It is written, thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.*"

- Jesus used the God's Word- this is the tool God has given us

MT, PAS – YOU NEED TO KNOW GOD'S WORD AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS TRUE

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- Jesus knew God's Word and believed it was true; helped Him say no to sin and do what was right

- Satan still did not give up. He tried one more time to get Jesus to disobey God and sin