

Discussion Questions Course 411–1

Large Group

1. What was Chris tempted to do?
2. What did Joy and Gizmo tell him?
3. Were they being good friends to Chris?
4. We all need good friends who will remind us to follow God's ways! And who is the best friend we can ever have?
5. How do you feel if you haven't had any food for a few hours?
6. How do you think Jesus felt battling the devil after not having any food for 40 days?

Small Group

Relay Game

1. What were the two important weapons did Jesus use to defeat the devil in the wilderness?
2. God's Word is sometimes represented by something that you can eat. What is it?

Teaching

1. In your own words, what is temptation? How would you describe it?
2. Temptation is the desire to do something we shouldn't do. Is it a sin to be tempted?
3. Jesus was tempted! But did He give in to temptation and sin?
4. Satan underestimated Jesus' strength in His Spirit! What did Satan tempt Jesus to do?
5. What do you think it means to hide God's Word in your heart?

Additional Activities

Coloring Activity

1. Why do Chris and Gizmo have such different expressions in this scene from the video?
2. Why does Gizmo care if Chris plays?
3. What were some of the excuses Chris made to justify or make it seem okay for him to play?
4. Have you ever used similar excuses or reasons like Chris used to do something that you know is wrong? What are some different reasons or excuses you have used?
5. Why does it seem to be even more difficult to do the right thing when friends or other children are around?
6. What are some things you have learned today to help you resist temptation?

Bible Activity

1. What did we learn that Jesus used as a weapon against the devil and his temptations in the wilderness?

Psalms 119:105, 110–112

1. How can verse 105 and 110 be applied to helping us with temptations?
2. In verse 111–112, does the writer place a high value on God's Word in his life; how do you know?
3. Do you feel like God's Word is often viewed as rules that keep us in line and from having fun instead of a valuable tool and weapon to bless us and keep us safe from harm; why or why not?
4. After today's lesson, do you feel differently about the value of knowing God's Word? Explain.

Hebrews 4:12–13

1. In verse 12, why is God's Word in the Bible different than words in a novel or story you might read or something on the internet?
2. In verse 12, when the Word exposes things that are hidden, how can that help us in the battle against temptation and sin?
3. What does verse 13 mean to you regarding sin and temptation?

John 17:15–17

1. What does Jesus call God's Word?
2. How can knowing the truth be a weapon against temptation?

Psalms 119:9–11

1. According to verse 9, what type of temptation can God's Word help us resist?
2. What does verse 11 say the Word can help us do?
3. What do you think it means to hide the Word in your heart?
4. Isn't it enough just to own a Bible; why is it necessary to know God's Word and to memorize it?