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Matthew 4:10

Jesus said: "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him".

Dear Father, when we are tempted to do the wrong thing, help us to do always what is the right thing, and resist doing wrong. Amen.



JESUS IS TEMPTED



Mum (calls) Hey, Mark, can you come here a sec?
Tempter (whispers) Pretend you haven't heard!
Mark But I did. And she needs me to help her.
Tempter And you've just put your feet up.
Mark That's true. It's been quite a day and I need a bit of a rest before tonight.
Mum Mark! Did you hear, love?
Mark But I expect she's tired as well. And, like I said, she needs my help.
Tempter Well, tell her you're doing your homework. Then she won't know you're being lazy. She'll think you're being hardworking. And you won't have to get up out of that comfortable chair.
Mark But it isn't true, is it? I'm *not* doing my homework - I'm loafing here and showing her I don't want to help. I'm telling her I don't care.
(He gets up and goes to the kitchen)
Mark Yes, Mum? What did you want?
Mum Oh, there you are, Mark. Thanks for helping, love. I know you're tired and I really appreciate it.
Tempter Dra! 4-3 to him! Just wait till next time. I'll try less 'comfort zone' and more 'right things for the wrong reasons'. That should do it!

TEMPTATION

WHAT WERE ADAM AND EVE TEMPTED TO DO?

They were tempted to disobey God. That's the basic point of all sin.

SO IT WASN'T ANYTHING TO DO WITH SEX OR APPLES?

Not really. Their sin was to go against what God had told them, and that was disobedience.

WHY IS IT SO HARD TO RESIST TEMPTATION?

Because we naturally want to be self-centred, not loving.

IS IT WORTH FIGHTING TEMPTATION?

Yes! God gives us the strength and protection we need, and when we live loving lives we are at peace with ourselves and fulfilled.



IF YOU FIND YOURSELF WANTING TO SIN, IS THAT JUST AS MUCH WRONG AS IF YOU ACTUALLY DO IT?

NO. BEING TEMPTED ISN'T A SIN. YOU CAN'T STOP A BIRD FLYING INTO YOUR HAIR, BUT YOU CAN STOP IT MAKING ITS NEST THERE!

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O LOVING WISDOM OF OUR GOD!
 WHEN ALL WAS SIN AND SHAME
 A SECOND ADAM TO THE FIGHT
 AND TO THE RESCUE CAME.
 O WISEST LOVE! THAT FLESH AND BLOOD,
 WHICH DID IN ADAM FAIL,
 SHOULD STRIVE AFFRESH AGAINST THE Foe,
 SHOULD STRIVE AND SHOULD PREVAIL.
 PRAISE TO THE HIGHEST IN THE HEIGHT,
 AND IN THE DEPTH BE PRAISE;
 IN ALL HIS WORDS MOST WONDERFUL,
 MOST SURE IN ALL HIS WAYS.

WordSearch: *Matthew 4:1-11 (CEV)*

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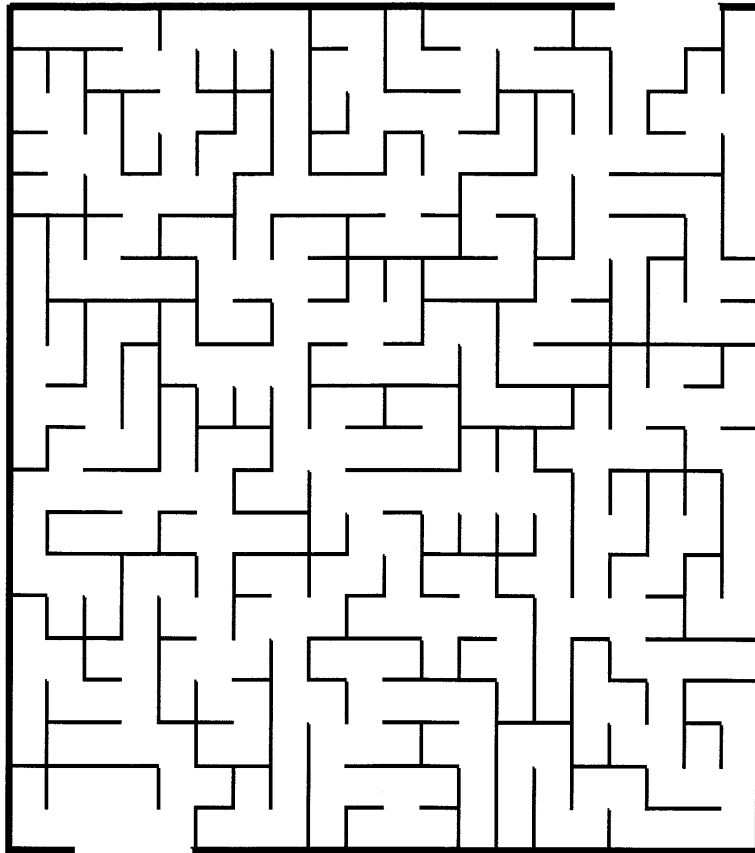
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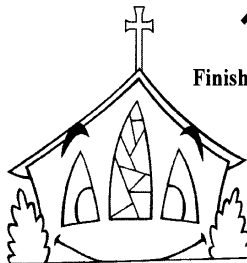
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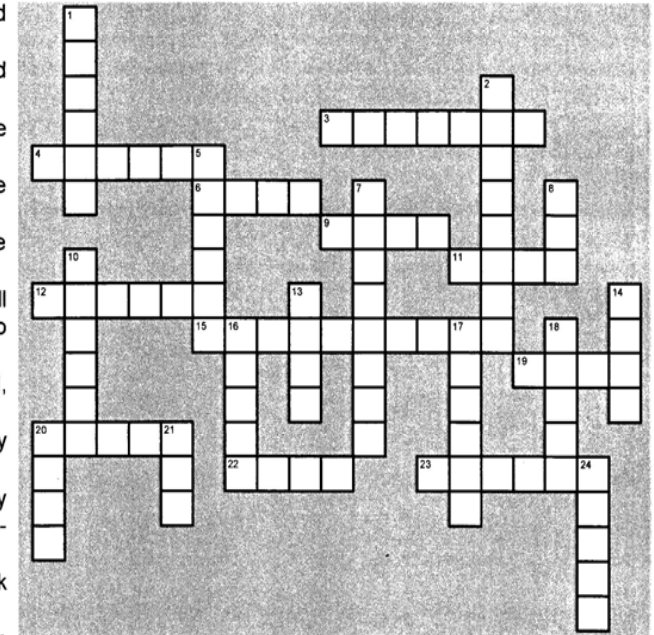
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Crossword: Matthew 4:1-11 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.
Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.

- 22 Across) The ___ Spirit led Jesus into the desert,
6 Across) so that the devil could ___ him.
17 Down) After Jesus had gone without ___ for forty days and nights, he was very _____.
1 Down) Then the ___ came to him and said,
5 Down) If you are God's Son, tell these ___ to turn into bread.
15 Across) Jesus answered, "The _____ say:
11 Across) No one can live only on _____.
10 Down) ___ need every word that God has spoken."
14 Down) Next, the devil took Jesus to the holy _____.
12 Across) and had him stand on the highest part of the _____.



- 20 Down) The devil said, "If you are God's Son, ___ off.
21 Down) The Scriptures ___:
4 Across) God will give his angels ___ about you.
16 Down) They will ___ you in their arms,
19 Across) and you won't hurt your ___ on the stones."
20 Across) ___ answered, "The Scriptures also say,
9 Across) Don't try to test the ___ your God!"
7 Down) Finally, the devil took Jesus up on a very high _____
2 Down) and showed him all the _____ on earth and their power.
13 Down) The devil said to him, "I will ___ all this to you,
3 Across) if you will bow down and ___ me."
24 Down) Jesus answered, "Go away ___! The Scriptures say:
8 Down) Worship the Lord your ___ and serve only him."
23 Across) Then the devil left Jesus, and ___ came to help him.

