

Hello Peeps!

Choose: Watch the video, colour, act out the desert scene, think, encourage questions.

Saddleback Kids, The Temptation of Jesus. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mc-x4qKY6Wc>

Daily Life Questions

If no one was looking would you steal something?

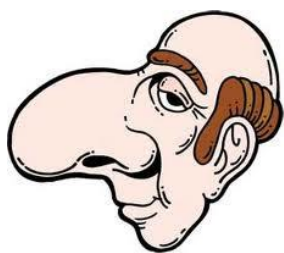
Do you ever think, my life would be better if I had that bigger piece of cake and gave my friend the smaller one?

Do you ever think, "I could get out of this sticky situation if I told a lie."?

IT IS NOT SO MUCH THAT
I DIDN'T STEAL GUM. IT
IS; WOULD I STEAL GUM IF
GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY?

Today we are talking about **temptation**. It's when you **want** to do, say or continually think something wrong.

Storytime: The Rejection of Smelldon



A boy name Rightkirk on the playground thinks "Oh there's Smelldon, I will avoid him, cause he smell's weird and has no hair." And then because Rightkirk is thinking about how smelly Smelldon is, he begins avoiding poor Smelldon. It comes out of Rightkirk's body in **action**. Rightkirk because of what he is **thinking**, has a hardening of **heart** and **rejects** Smelldon by not including him in a game. This is done not by words, but just by not making eye contact with Smelldon, and walking right past him. And there is Smelldon, just waiting, hoping someone will play with him. Rightkirk happily believes he is right to avoid Smelldon by walking past him and not looking at him, after all he did not actually say, "You can't play with us."

Now let's think about that.

God sees the heart. Have you guys heard that before? Talk about God seeing Smelldon and Rightkirk's hearts in this story.

Do you think Rightkirk did the good thing by avoiding Smelldon?

We were made to be the kind of people who wouldn't even consider rejecting someone based on smelliness, or their past or their funny big toe. We can do this, with God, otherwise it is impossible. And God gives us his spirit, closer than your favourite bunnyhug. The clincher is....we have to want to live that way.

Jesus Is Offered All The Things, and Says “Ah, No Thank-You”

AKA Jesus is Tempted in the Desert Matthew 4:1-11

After Jesus showed his “withness” to God, after being baptized, he went out to an isolated place. There he was tempted by the devil as he ate nothing.

Does your thinking go out of wack sometimes if you don't eat? Watch the video and read how Jesus got what he needed not from food, but from God, who keeps us, even in hard times. And then hard times become easy times.

Watch the devil's attempts at trying to get Jesus to do stuff. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mc-x4gKY6Wc>

What were the things the devil tried to tempt Jesus with?

Did Jesus eat during this time? If not, where did his strength come from?

Who helped Jesus after the devil went away?

Do you think Jesus was a bit smelly after 40 days of this?

One of the goals God has for us, is to become the kind of people he could trust, to do whatever we want. What power is it best I don't have right now?

Do we have to start wanting different things?

Just because we can do something, should we do it?

Pray and ask God, chat with God. Tell him the bad stuff, then put all that stuff in an imaginary helium balloon. **Say** “Here you go, you can have this, let’s do this together.”



Bible Challenge:

Find and Read Matthew 4:1-11

WORD FIND

A	D	D	E	V	I	L	R	E	K
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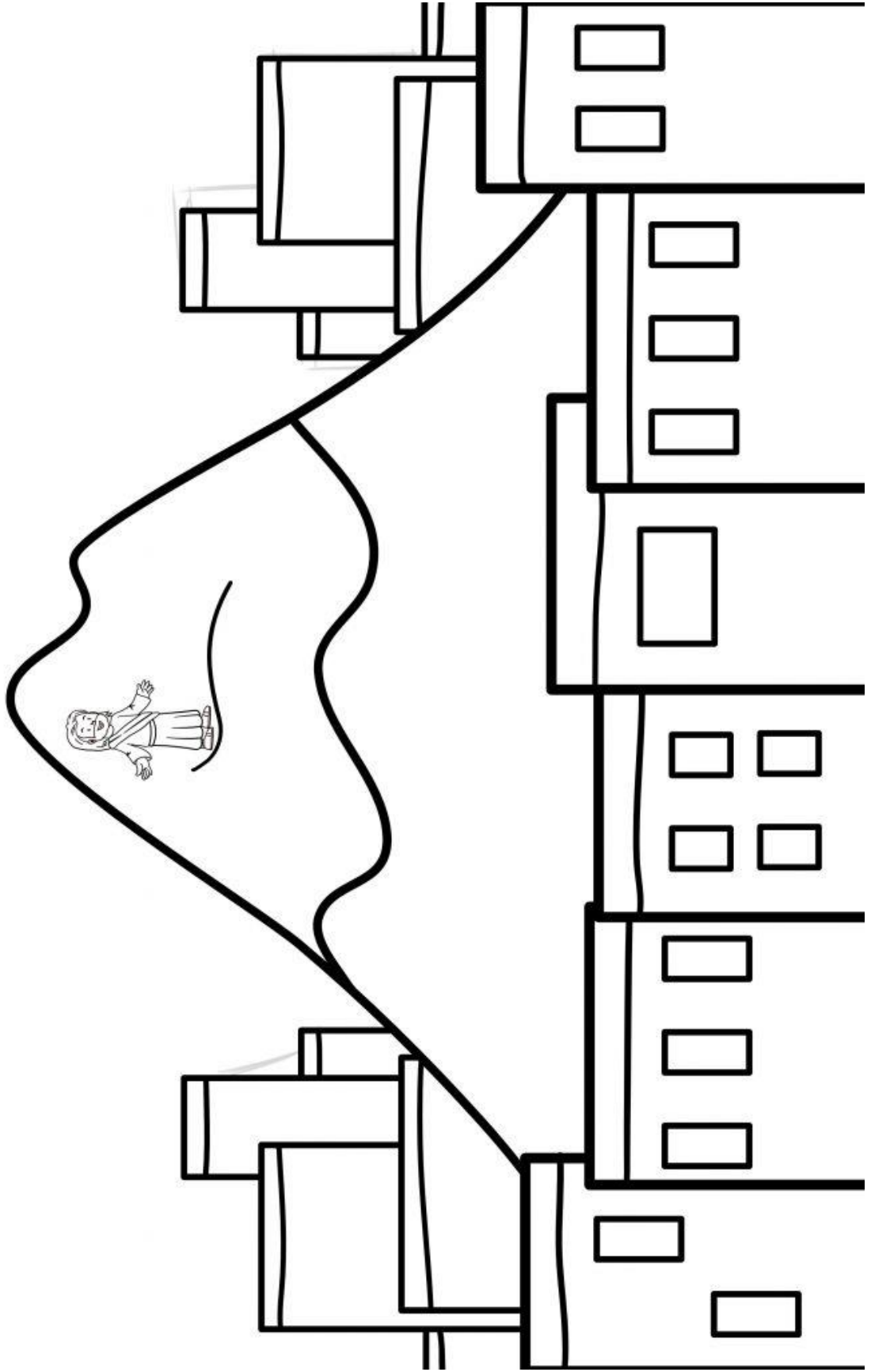
Can you find these words? Circle or colour them.

JESUS KINGDOM JESUS ANGELS SPIRIT TEMPT
DEVIL DESERT

For more activities on this lesson: <https://truewaykids.com/the-temptation-of-jesus/>

Jesus answered, "It is
written: 'Man does not
live on bread alone, but
on every word that
comes from the mouth
of God.

Matthew 4:4



How can we live off of the word like Jesus said? One way is to make his word part of our bodies, and that is by memorization. No one can take that away from us. Like how food makes us strong, so can verses. Let's make a memory verse booklet. Write your favourite verses or parts of songs from the Bible.

