

Lesson #6

Teaching Outline

“Jesus Tempted In the Wilderness”

Matthew 4

Principle Truths:

1. **The Word of God is the most powerful weapon in overcoming temptation.**
2. **Satan TEMPTS in order to steal, kill and destroy, while God TESTS in order to deepen our faith and prove our obedience.**

Outline:

“PEELING THE ONION” OF JESUS’ TEMPTATIONS

Layer # 1: **DISCOVERING** the Context

- A. Israel’s Wilderness Experience
- B. Jesus’ Wilderness Experience

Layer # 2: **DISCERNING** the Meaning of “Temptation”

Layer # 3: **DECLARING** Victory over Temptation for all Mankind

Layer # 4: **DISPLAYING** what God intended Humanity to Be

Layer # 5: **DELVING** Into the Encounter with Satan

- A. Temptation #1: Physical or Spiritual Food?
- B. Temptation #2 Test God or Trust God?
- C. Temptation #3 Worldly Kingdom or Eternal Kingdom?