

King Jesus Succeeds Where All Others Failed

Matt 4:1-11

Thesis: Jesus is the new and greater Adam and the new and greater Israel, who went into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil and to succeed where all others failed. He is therefore the only who is able to save us from our sins and help us in our own times of temptation.

I. Introduction (1-2)

- A. The Holy Spirit leads Jesus into the wilderness
- B. The new Adam: Jesus is tempted by the devil
- C. The new Israel: 40 days and 40 nights of testing

II. 1st Temptation: You Don't Really Have to Follow God's Will (3-4)

- A. Surface temptation: Turn stones to bread and eat
- B. Jesus response: Deut. 8:3-4

III. 2nd Temptation: Test God's Goodness by Forcing His Hand (5-7)

- A. Surface temptation: Throw yourself from the temple
- B. Satan's proof text: Psalm 91:11-12
- C. Jesus' response: Deut. 6:16

IV. 3rd Temptation: You Can Have the Crown without the Cross (8-10)

- A. Surface temptation: Worship Satan
- B. Jesus' response: Deut. 6:13

V. Conclusion: Jesus Stands as Our Champion (11)