Luke 4

King James Version (KJV)

- **4** And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, (Jesus was beginning His ministry)
- ²Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered. (By now, He was in a weakened state. Jesus was a flesh man just like us)
- ³ And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. (Jesus was tempted by Satan, and showed us how to overcome him)

(Satan tempted Jesus by misquoting the scriptures. Antichrist will do the same to us in the end days)

- ⁴And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God. Deuteronomy-8:3
- ⁵ And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. (Satan is supernatural, like Michael and Gabriel. He can do things like this)

(He will do these supernatural works again, in the end days; in order to fool people into believing that he is messiah. Those who are Biblically ignorant will be completely fooled by him)

⁶ And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. (Satan is the prince of the air, and of the ways of the world. God allows it, in order to weed out those people who would choose to listen to Satan)

(We are born here in the flesh, innocent in order to decide on how we will live and who we shall follow – God and His Ten Commandments; or the world and its lusts and corruption. The two are mutually exclusive. It's one or the other. We all choose our own fate)

⁷ If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. (Enjoy your short corrupt life on earth, because you won't see heaven)

- ⁸ And Jesus answered and said unto him, <u>Get thee behind me, Satan</u>: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Deuteronomy-6:13 (Jesus didn't argue. HE told Satan to get lost. That's what we should do, in the name of Jesus. Satan is very intelligent. To argue with him would be to lose the argument)
- ⁹ And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence:
- ¹⁰ For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee:
- ¹¹ And in their hands they shall bear thee up, <u>lest at any time</u> thou dash thy foot against a stone. Psalms-91:11-13 -> (Again, misquoted by Satan <<u>lest at any time</u> -> should be -> in all thy ways which means in doing God's work) (God doesn't put on side shows "lest at any time")

(He also stopped at -> against a stone. The rest reads -> Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. The dragon is one of Satan's names. This prophecy goes all the way back to Genesis-3:15)

NOTES: (The preceding verses are a good example of how Satan can twist the scriptures to his advantage. The only way to win that battle is to not compete – like Jesus did. Jesus taught us by example)

(Satan is nothing but a corrupt scripture lawyer. Like Jesus did – it's best to just stay away from him. He's been condemned to die before the beginning of the Third Age. He is a dead man walking)

- ¹² And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Deuteronomy-6:16 (Again, Jesus is not arguing with Satan. HE was setting the example for us)
- ¹³ And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season. (The only power Satan has on this earth is from lies and deception. If you don't let him fool you, he can't do anything to you)
- ¹⁴ And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about. (HIS fame

- was brought about by the miracles that He performed for people; and by His teaching of the scriptures)
- ¹⁵ And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all. (No man could match His wisdom. Jesus is God the Living Word) John-1:1
- ¹⁶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. (Jesus always taught publicly, for all to hear)
- ¹⁷ And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, (Esaias <Greek> = Isaiah <Hebrew>)
- ¹⁸The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, Isaiah-61:1-2
- ¹⁹To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. (This is only the first part of verse 2. He was teaching these people that the First Advent was being fulfilled, right before their eyes)
- ²⁰ And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. (He didn't read the second part of verse 2– The day of vengeance of our God to comfort all that mourn That will happen when Christ returns at the Second Advent; at the end of this Age)
- ²¹ And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears. (The first part of the scripture was fulfilled. The second part will happen at the beginning of the Millennium, at the 7th trump)
- ²² And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, <u>Is not this Joseph's son?</u> (Nazareth was the town where Jesus was raised by Mary and Joseph. The people there had known Jesus when He was a young boy. It was strange to them to see Him now, as a wise prophet of God's Word)
- ²³ And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in <u>Capernaum</u>, do also here in thy country. (Capernaum means city of compassion)

- (They had heard about the many miracles that Jesus performed elsewhere. They wanted Jesus to put on a show for them. God doesn't put on shows)
- ²⁴ And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country. (Because they all knew Him as a boy, growing up; they couldn't accept Him as the Messiah)
- ²⁵ But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; (The famine of the end times is not for bread, but for hearing the Word of God) Amos-8:11
- ²⁶ But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. (Elias is Elijah <in the Greek>) (Israel had deserted God, so He didn't heal them)
- ²⁷ And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian. (Eliseus = Elisha)
- (Elisha healed a Syrian, but he didn't heal the Israelites around because they didn't deserve it. Israel had been sinning against God's commandments. They were being corrected by God for it)
- ²⁸ And <u>all they in the synagogue</u>, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, (They expected special treatment because they were Israelites; but they got none because they had no faith. They just wanted to see Jesus perform a show for them)
- ²⁹ And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong. (They wanted to kill Him, but God intervened. These would be murderers were the priests in the local synagogue)
- ³⁰ But he passing through the midst of them went his way, (Divine intervention by the Father)
- ³¹ And came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days.
- ³² And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power. (Jesus taught with wisdom and with authority. HE is God, in the flesh. HE is the living Word)

- ³³ And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice, (He was possessed by evil spirits)
- ³⁴ Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God. (They knew Him God in the flesh. They had no power against God. This should have been a witness to the doubters that heard it)
- ³⁵ And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not. (Don't argue with evil. Command them to be gone, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Savior)
- ³⁶ And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out. (No one can prevail against God. This should comfort all Christians)
- ³⁷ And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about. (People had never seen this level of authority from a man of God. They didn't realize that Jesus is God)
- ³⁸ And he arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought him for her. (Simon is Peter)
- ³⁹ And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them. (She was instantly healed. She got up and went about doing her chores)
- ⁴⁰ Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them. (God is able to heal disease. Unlike many ignorant preachers, Jesus knew the difference between a disease and a demonic possession)
- ⁴¹ And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, <u>Thou art Christ the Son of God</u>. And he rebuking them suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ. (Christ = Christos < Greek> = the anointed One of God)

(God is also capable of casting out evil spirits. These evil spirits all knew who Jesus was. This should have been proof to the people who witnessed it)

- ⁴² And when it was day, he departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought him, and came unto him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them. (They wanted Him to stay after witnessing what He had done for them. They saw Jesus as a great physician. HE was much more than that)
- ⁴³ And he said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent. (Jesus must get on with his ministry. HE came to save all of us, not just for one town)
- ⁴⁴ And he preached in the synagogues of Galilee. (He was the true Priest of priests. HE taught publicly and boldly to anyone who wanted to learn)

(Meanwhile, the corrupt priests in the synagogue watched Him with envy and with hatred)