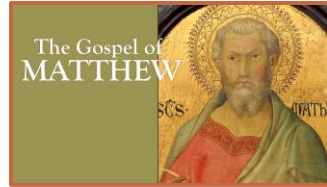


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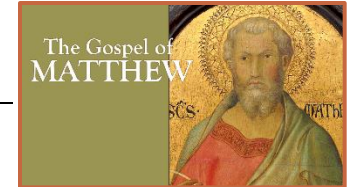
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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion\*



## NOTES

- What is the longest you have ever gone without eating? How does being hungry impact you?
- *Read Matthew 4:1–11.* If you were to summarize this story in a sentence or give it a descriptive title, what would it be?
- Why does the Spirit bring Jesus into the wilderness? What significance could there be to Jesus being there for 40 days and 40 nights?
- In each of Jesus' three interactions with the devil:
  - a) What would be tempting to Jesus about the devil's suggestion?
  - b) How does Jesus respond?
  - c) What may have happened if Jesus had gone along with the tempter?
- What does all this reveal about who Jesus is?
- What can we learn from how both Satan and Jesus quote Scripture? What role can Scripture play in our own temptations?
- When have you felt like you were in the wilderness, in a place of absence and hunger, of desolation and temptation? How did God meet you there?
- Where and when do you find yourself especially vulnerable to temptation? How might the Lord be inviting you to respond? How can your small group or others support you as you do?