

Home Group Notes
Sunday 2nd March 2014
Keeping the main thing the main thing
Luke 4:1-13

1. When was the last time you were forced to trust someone with something big or out of your control? Was it hard?

Read Luke 4:1-13

2. How is Jesus' time in the wilderness significant given what's just happened and what he's about to do? Who does Jesus represent?

3. How does the Devil test Jesus? What does he do?

4. How does he try to make Jesus question and doubt? What alternative does he offer Jesus?

5. How is Jesus different to Israel when they were in the wilderness?
Read Psalm 95:8-11

6. Who else was encouraged to doubt God in Eden (Gen 3)? What was the result?

7. How does Jesus compare to Adam and Israel? What does he use to fight back? (Adam vs Jesus – Rom 5:18-19)

8. What has tempted you to think that God will not protect or provide for you? What tempts you to question whether God is really worth following? What's helped in those times?

Jesus was faithful even to death, give thanks to God in prayer for what he has done. Read Hebrews 4:14-16 and then pray.

Knowing scripture gives us confidence especially when we're up against it. Choose a verse from the back of this sheet to learn, one that will help you when you doubt or are tempted to think that God won't be there for you.

Helper verses

Help when you need it most

John 3:16 – For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

1 Pet 5:7 – Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you

Proverbs 30:5 – Every word of God is flawless, he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

Psalm 56:3 – When I am afraid, I put my trust in you

Joshua 1:9 – Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

John 1:12 – Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God

Proverbs 3:5-6 – Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Psalm 121:1-2 – I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

James 1:17 – Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

Hebrews 13:5 – Keep your loves free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; nor will I forsake you.”