

## ROUND Bible Study

- Read - Read the passage! (a good place to start 😊)
- Observe - What is going on? Where is it happening?  
Who is involved? What is being said?  
Basically get a **big picture** of what the passage is about.
- Understand - What does it mean?  
What is God saying to you through it?
- Note - Write it down somewhere, it helps to remember!  
Note anything else that sticks out to you.
- Do! - What should we do now?  
Live it out, do what you need to!

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Do!	

## **PB Notes:**

Read: done!

Observe: Jesus had been baptised, was 30 years old (3:23), this is just before he starts public ministry  
He was then lead, by the Holy Spirit into desert/wilderness, he was there for 40 days  
During that time he ate nothing, and was tempted by the devil, perhaps for all 40 days.  
3 separate temptations – hunger, authority, testing God – perhaps the climax of temptations  
Jesus responds by quoting Scripture (Old Testament)

Understand: Jesus faced temptation, just like us, but he showed us how to overcome it  
He responded by knowing what the Bible had to say in each instance

Notes:

V3-4 “If you are the Son of God...”

A challenge for Jesus to demonstrate that he was God

V4 “Man shall not live by bread alone”

Temptation to give in to own desires, and use own power, rather than trusting that God would give all that was needed

It is God who sustains us, we should ‘feed’ on Him, importance of trusting and obeying God

Bible, prayer, fellowship...

V5-8 All authority is Christ’s anyway, Satan may be the ‘ruler of this world’ but all true authority is God’s

God alone is worthy of praise and worship – anything else is an idol

V9-12 “You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.”

Firstly, the devil wrongly quotes Scripture – many people do that these days to outsmart Christians

How might we ‘test’ God?

Might think if something happens, God loves us, or if it doesn’t then God doesn’t care

Do: Know the Bible more, to be able to stand against temptation!

Being close to God will itself be the help for us dealing with temptation

Don’t live by bread alone or test God, worship and follow Him for all things.