

## CatholicMom.com Gospel Activity – Celebrating Our Catholic Faith

### Religious Education Lesson Plan Helpers by Laura Grace

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#### The Temptation of Jesus

##### Review:

Question from last week's lesson.

**Vocabulary:** (Write the bold words on the board and discuss with students)

**tempted-** trick or cause desire or craving to happen in somebody

**devil-** a fallen angel, especially Satan, the chief of the bad angels

**Satan-** another name for the devil

**worship-** respect given for a holy being

**angel-** messengers of God

##### Plan:

1. Read story: "The Temptation of Jesus" and ask questions.

1. How long did Jesus fast in the wilderness? 40 days
2. What did the devil want Jesus to use to make food? stones
3. How had God fed the children of Israel when they were in the wilderness?  
Manna from heaven.
4. What did the devil say he would give Jesus if he would worship him? Kingdoms of the world.
5. Who really rules in the kingdoms of men? God
6. How did Jesus answer Satan each time? He quoted scripture.
7. What did Satan say would happen if Jesus jumped off the top of the temple?  
Angels would rescue him.
8. How many times did Satan tempt Jesus? Three
9. Who came to comfort Jesus when Satan left him? Angels

2. Introduce game: How did Satan tempt Jesus? Told him to turn stones into bread. He told him that he would give him the kingdoms of the world. He told him to jump off the roof of a temple and the angels would come and lift him up so that he wouldn't be hurt.

Temptation Obstacle Course- The Encyclopedia of Bible Games for Children's Ministry, page 73.

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### 3. Object Lessons:

Who Says?- <http://www.sermons4kids.com/who-says.html>

The Temptation of Christ- [http://www.sermons4kids.com/temptation\\_of\\_christ.htm](http://www.sermons4kids.com/temptation_of_christ.htm)

(You can also use this for an intro to the snack if you choose to have bite size candy bars).

### 4. Introduce craft: We are tempted every day. How can we make to help remind ourselves to do the right thing?

What Would Jesus Do mobile- <http://www.dltk-bible.com/mwwjdmobile.html>

What Would Jesus Do crafts- [http://www.makingfriends.com/wwjd\\_crafts.htm](http://www.makingfriends.com/wwjd_crafts.htm)

Witness Bracelet Craft- <http://www.beau.org/~vickir/crafts/craftbeads1.html>

Paper Bead Cross- <http://www.dltk-bible.com/mpapercross.html>

Beaded Cross Necklace- <http://www.kidsdomain.com/craft/cross1.html>

A very nice necklace for boys and girls. Be sure to make the string at least 36 inches long to fit over their heads. Craft cord can be used as well.

Colors of Christ Cross- <http://www.christiancrafters.com/colorsofchrist.html>

Neat tip at the bottom for younger students.

Stain Glass Window- <http://crafts.kaboose.com/melted-crayon-stained-glass-window.html>

I make this craft in the shape of a cross by folding one sheet of black construction paper in half and tracing a cross in the center on the top sheet. I then cut the cross out of both sheets of paper for the students. We then follow the rest of the directions given here.

Mosaic Cross- [http://www.christiancrafters.com/craft\\_mosaic.html](http://www.christiancrafters.com/craft_mosaic.html)

Easy cross necklace/magnet that all kids can make.

### 5. Puzzles & Mazes, Worksheets, etc.

More 365 Activities for Kids- do Jesus was Tempted by Satan spot the difference puzzle on August 18.

Jesus is Tempted worksheets-

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/northernireland/schools/4\\_11/today/pdf/religion/sum2001/ws03a.pdf](http://www.bbc.co.uk/northernireland/schools/4_11/today/pdf/religion/sum2001/ws03a.pdf)

The Temptation of Jesus- Choose the word that best matches the definition.

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[http://www.sermons4kids.com/temptation\\_of\\_jesus\\_choice.htm](http://www.sermons4kids.com/temptation_of_jesus_choice.htm)

The Temptation of Jesus- Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of letters.

[http://www.sermons4kids.com/temptation\\_of\\_jesus\\_wordshape.htm](http://www.sermons4kids.com/temptation_of_jesus_wordshape.htm)

6. Introduce snack: If you went out into the desert, what would you bring?

Let's make some Trail Mix that could help us survive.

<http://www.cditchen.com/recipes/cat/766/0.shtml>

[http://www.academy.com/index.php?page=content&target=cookbook/fun\\_camping\\_snacks/sweet\\_trail\\_mix](http://www.academy.com/index.php?page=content&target=cookbook/fun_camping_snacks/sweet_trail_mix)

<http://www.chex.com/Recipes/RecipeView.aspx?RecipeId=37643&CategoryId=342>

<http://camping.about.com/od/recipes/r/ucrec017.htm>

[http://www.cheerios.com/recipes/recipe\\_nutrition.aspx?RecipeId=21197&CategoryId=305](http://www.cheerios.com/recipes/recipe_nutrition.aspx?RecipeId=21197&CategoryId=305)

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