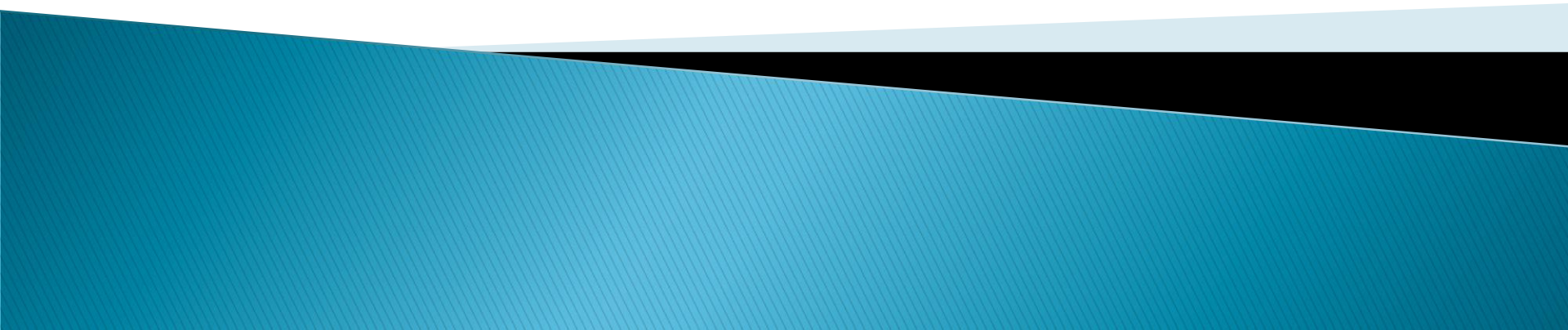
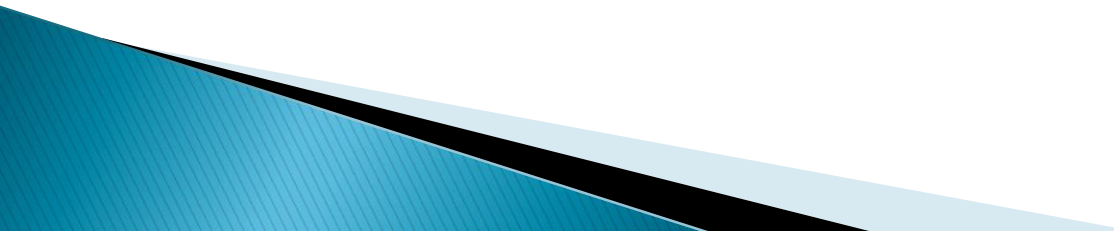


Luke 4:1-2

Triumphing Over Temptation

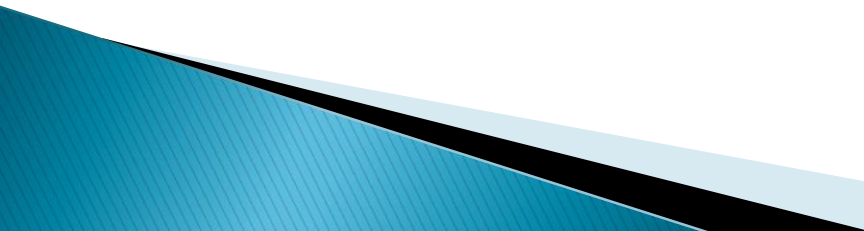


- 1. If Jesus is God, why did He need the Holy Spirit?**
 - 2. The spirit comes to us with Christ's personal recommendation.**
 - 3. The devil is real and he seeks only to deceive and destroy.**
 - 4. If Jesus is God, surely He cannot sin?
If He cannot sin, how can He be tempted?**
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Hebrews 2:17–18 & 4:15

Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.



Temptation 1... v3-4

Doubting God's Loving Care

Jesus is tempted to take matters into His own hands by deciding for Himself how and when He will next eat bread, rather than trusting God with it.

Jesus responds by quoting Deuteronomy 8:3.

We do not live because we have eaten bread, we eat bread because God has given us life.

Also John 4:31-34

Temptation 2... v5-8

Doubting God's Ways

The devil says:

“I can do better than God...
you don't want to do it His way.
I can let you have it all right now...
just bow down and worship me.”

The pretended power of Satan.

“I, the devil, will give You, Christ, authority and glory.”

“This is all mine to give to whomever I wish.”

The devil lays claim to what is not his and promises that which he cannot deliver.

*See 2 Cor 4:4, Eph 2:2 & 6:12, 1 John 5:19
then Matt 11:27 & 28:18, Eph 1:19–23*

Jesus responds from Deuteronomy 6:13,
10:20

Temptation 3... v9-13

To Trust God Presumptuously

One of Satan's most cunning schemes against Christians is to quote the Bible in a way that misleads.

He quotes from Psalm 91:11-12.

Jesus replies from Deuteronomy 6:16.

Satan wants Jesus to behave recklessly to see if God will intervene... so testing God.

Jesus is filled and equipped by God's Spirit
&
instructed by the right handling of God's
Word.

That is sufficient to keep him from sin...
and Satan departs.