

Luke 4:1-2

Face-To-Face With the Enemy

1. If Jesus is God, why did He need the Holy Spirit?

Philippians 2:7-8

Luke 1:35, 4:1, 4:14... Matthew 12:28...

Hebrews 9:14... Rom 1:4...

these verses show the activity of the Spirit in Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection.

Jesus, in His humanity, required the input and impulse of God's Spirit... just as we do.

2. The spirit comes to us with Christ's personal recommendation.

See John chapter 16

3. The devil is real and he seeks only to deceive and destroy.

Read Isaiah 14:12-22 and Ezekiel 28:11-19 for a brief history concerning Satan.

4. If Jesus is God, surely He cannot sin?

If He cannot sin, how can He be tempted?

Yes, Jesus is God. No, Jesus cannot sin.

(The 'impeccability' of Christ.)

Jesus, the person, cannot sin because He has a divine nature.

But, Jesus in His human nature can be tempted and in His human nature must resist it.

1 Peter 3:18

Jesus died in the place of sinners, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God.

2 Cor 5:21

He who knew no sin was made sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.