

## Guest: Jim Schain | Testing & Temptation

### Matthew 4:1-11

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#### 1| Read Matthew 4:1-11

Chapter 4 begins with Jesus being navigated into the wilderness by the Holy Spirit. Have you ever felt like God has led you astray? Sometimes we're being tested, other times we are just being stupid. How can we know the difference? Read James 1:12-15 for context.

#### 2| Read Psalm 119:9-11

In a test, God is seeking to strengthen you; in a temptation, the enemy is seeking to destroy you. What factors can determine whether you are strengthened, discouraged, or even destroyed?

#### 3| Read Psalm 91:11-12

Satan twisted this scripture about trusting God in an attempt to get Jesus to test the Father. Explain the difference between trusting and testing. In What area does God instruct us to test Him?

#### 4| Read Hebrews 4:15

Jesus knows what you are going through and sympathizes with you. Have you ever felt alone in your trial and that no one understands? How do we seek comfort from our High Priest?

#### 5| Read 1 Corinthians 10:13

Jim said, "Whenever you decide to make a difference for Christ, you can expect the temptations to come, but you can be victorious!". What areas of your life do you give in to temptation the most? Do you believe that you can have victory in these areas? Read James 4:7 for context.