

Intro: Matt 4:1-11 - Human Will, Power of Satan -
 Butterfly is man - Satan's attacks = value, test
 1) Prove his existence 2) reveals his methods -
 that we might not be ignorant of his devices
 Luke 4:13. means he did not exhaust himself, completed
 the cycle & had another line upon which to assault
 the citadel - Has only 3 things to say - had never
 advanced a step beyond these - 3 bullets - 3 fold
 knock on door - no other temptation has Satan to
 level at heart - may vary the form, change
 manner or expression but it is the same -

I - The Appeal to Physical Appetite -
 1 - nothing wrong w/ making bread 2 - not God's will at that
 time 3 - tempt to use powers selfishly - always a
 (prophetic to sternal) tempt to use selfishly whatever talent, etc
 4 - Has given us - singing of joy, etc
 5 - Look out for yourself - Personal preservation
 6 - what is going to be the deciding factor in how you
 use your time, talent, etc - food or the will of God?

Subtle tempt. appears to be harmless

II - The Attack on our Faith in God
 text - 1 - If God really watches over you, prove it - you can't
 be sure unless God displays it - 2 - to doubt God -
 to affect relationship to God - 3 - if God leaves any
 question unanswered, doubt his existence or
 goodness - 4 - Heavens? Vast realm? - God should
 have to answer to us
 5 - The faith that is dependent on signs is not
 faith, if faith can't believe w/out sensations,
 it really isn't faith. 6 - we walk by faith, not
 sight - to doubt goodness of God

77 - Appeal to Personal Ambition

1 - Temptation - rivals - strike up a treaty - Bribery

2 - Compromise - Come to terms - Don't pitch your demands quite so high! write just a little bit questionable things - if you want to get ahead, success, position

3 - Come to terms w/ the world - Peaceful co-existence

4 - who would hesitate to change gods if he could acquire a world in the transaction -