#### **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

# **MATTHEW 4:1-11**

#### MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 4:4 "Man does not live by bread alone, but on every Word that comes from the mouth of God."

## **QUESTIONS FOR KIDS**

- 1. Who led Jesus to the wilderness?
- 2. What was Satan trying to do to Jesus?
- 3. Do any of Satan's "suggestions" sound evil?
- 4. What made all of Satan's suggestions wrong? (Hint, who did they try to put first?)
- 5. How did Jesus respond to all of Satan's "suggestions"?
- 6. What do you think Satan really wanted Jesus to do?
- 7. How have you been tempted to do something that isn't what God wants you to do, or that focuses on you instead of God?
- 8. How do you respond when that happens? What can you do to focus on the most important thing instead?

#### QUESTIONS FOR YOUTH

- 1. How did Jesus respond to being tempted by the devil? What did he do?
- 2. Knowing that Jesus overcame temptation, how does it change the way you look at temptations in your own life?
- 3. Why do you think Jesus included "Lead us not into temptation" in the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13?
- 4. <u>Challenge</u>: Write out a plan for how you can respond to temptation. Include a verse you can remember when you feel tempted to sin.

## **QUESTIONS FOR ADULTS**

- 1. What exactly was the Devil challenging Jesus in the temptations?
- 2. For what reason was Jesus tempted at this particular time?
- 3. Does Scripture save you in your temptations? How does it work?
- 4. How does the account of Jesus' temptations strengthen your conviction that Christ is the One?