## TALK

- 1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Matthew 4:1-11 and Psalm 119:33-37. What strikes you as you read?
- 2. Is a train more free when running ON or OFF the tracks? Why? Describe the different outcomes. How is this like to human life lived ACCORDING TO or IN REBELLION AGAINST God's word?
- 3. Describe how the world's "delights" are "worthless?" How are the promises we receive in God's word different from that?
- 4. How do you often think of "obedience?" How does the psalmist describe the value of obedience to God's word in v 35? Why do you think he says that?
- 5. What seems to be the biggest challenge the Tempter throws at Jesus? How is that challenge connected to the previous narrative in Matthew 3:13-17?
- 6. How do you deal with temptation? How does Jesus' use of God's word offer you help in that regard? Why did Jesus choose not to use his supernatural power in the face of temptation? What was his weapon of choice in doing battle with the tempter? What does this teach you about your capacity to stand firm against the Tempter?

READ	Sunday	Psalm 119:105	Thursday	James 4:7-10
	Monday	1 John 4:4	Friday	Colossians 2:9-10
	Tuesday	2 Timothy 3:16-17	Saturday	Hebrews 4:12
	Wednesday	1 Corinthians 10:13b	Memorize	Psalm 119:35

#### PRAY

PRAISE GOD for knowing we are vulnerable & coming to protect & save us.
THANK JESUS for living our temptations, yet giving in to none of them.
ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT to give you victory over every temptation.

#### **BLESS**

Make the sign of the cross on each other as you say: (Name), † child of God, The word of Christ is your sure defense! Amen.



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EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

11 - 17 February 2024

### VERSE of the week — Psalm 119:35

*"Make me walk along the path of your commands, for that is where my delight is found."* 

#### TABLE GRACE

The bread is warm & fresh. The water is cool & clear. Lord of all life be with us. Lord of all life be near. -- Amen.

## THOUGHT for the week:

"We have to admit there is an immeasurable distance between all that we read in the Bible and the practice of the church and of most Christians."

— Jacques Ellul

Living Water Fellowship, Wagga Wagga Come...Grow...Go...Show

#### 5 POINT CHECK UP

- 1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
- 2. Read a verse from the Bible.
- 3. What do you find "best" in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do ?
- 4. Pray for one another (Praise God, Thank Jesus, Ask the Holy Spirit).
- 5. Bless one another.

