# **WWJD When He Was Tempted?**

Week #2 (14th Sep 2025)

The Big Point: WWJD When He was Tempted?

God's Word: Jesus is Tempted in the Desert (Luke 4:1-13)

Memory Verse: You were chosen to do good even if you suffer. That's because Christ suffered

for you. He left you an example that he expects you to follow. 1 Peter 2:21 (NIRV)

Application: I can say no to sin like Jesus did.

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**Series Aim:** To help kids learn to respond like Jesus in different situations by following His example and asking, "What would Jesus do?"

Primary Huddle Guide Duration: 20-25 mins

# **Before Sunday:**

- *Pray* and prepare yourself by reading through this Huddle Guide and the Word Write-Up (scroll down to the right week) found on the <a href="HopeKids Service Plan Blogspot">HopeKids Service Plan Blogspot</a>.
- All Huddle Leaders are to prepare your own "script" and things to say. Feel free to inject
  your own questions or discussion points whenever necessary to suit the needs of your
  children.
- NOTE: There are no items for Huddle this week, but please really take time to read, prepare and pray for the kids in your huddle group.

# **Before Service on Sunday Morning:**

- Prepare all the items that are needed for Huddle Time. For this week:
  - Physical Bibles
  - HopeKids Notebooks
  - Writing Materials

# **During Huddle Time:**

- Have the children sit in a circle, making sure you can have eye contact with each kid.
- Welcome and ease the children into Huddle Time by:
  - Introducing yourself and the kids to one another
  - Remember the names of newer kids and help them feel welcomed and know they belong to the group!
  - Air high-fives, fist bumps
  - Playing small ice breaker games
- Remind the kids that the BEST rules still apply during Huddle Time.
- \*Choose ANY of the activities that best suit your age group, needs of kids and as per time permits - you do not need to go through every activity/everything!

# Activity #1: Ice Breaker - Which do you prefer?

Purpose: To open the time together with the kids and lead in to the discussions

No Materials Needed but Huddle Leaders can choose to come up with own ideas

#### Welcome:

• Introduce yourself and welcome the kids to Huddle Time (small group time).

# Ice Breaker: Which do you prefer?

We are going to have a very quick ice breaker game. You are going to choose between 1 out of 2 options of what you prefer / rather do. If it's 1, you just need to put up one finger. If it's 2 or the second choice, you put up 2 fingers.

**Note:** You can choose to come up with your own choices for the children.

- 1. Hot Sunny Weather vs Cold Weather / Summer vs Winter
- 2. Ice Cream vs Frozen Yogurt
- 3. Salty snacks vs Sweet snacks

- 4. Reading a book vs Watching a Movie
- 5. Minecraft vs Roblox
- 6. Zoo vs Aquarium
- 7. Drawing vs Writing

# Activity #2: Discussion and Reflection

**Objective:** To get the kids thinking about what they have learnt and link it to what they can do in their lives

### **Materials Needed:**

- Writing Materials
- HopeKids Journal

### **Decisions**

Let me first ask you a question ~

- Approximately how many decisions have you made since you woke up this morning?
  - Allow kids to respond.
- We all face choices and decisions we need to make everyday. Do you know how many
  decisions you have to make each day? A quick google search tells me that primary aged
  children make an average of 3500 decisions each day, some of you might have to make
  more decisions each day and some less.
- Some decisions we make are smaller like what colour to wear, or which jacket / bag to bring or to even bring a bag / jacket or not??
- But some decisions we make are way bigger especially in moments when we are tempted.
- To be tempted is to feel the want to give in to something which might be wrong or unwise.

- We learnt from today's lesson that Jesus had faced temptations before. *Engage the children in the following:* 
  - a. Who tempted Jesus? (Satan / the devil)
  - b. What did he tempt Jesus to do?
    - i. To turn bread into stones this is wrong because he was getting Jesus to use God's power for selfish reasons
    - ii. To jump off a building and test if God would save him to not trust God's word and testing God
    - iii. To worship the devil this is outright sin.
  - c. With each time Jesus was tempted, what did Jesus do? (With each time, Jesus said no to the temptation, and no to sin. Jesus also countered Satan's temptations and lies with the truth of the Bible)
- Thus, WWJD if he were tempted?
  - He would say no to temptation and no to sin.
  - He would counter with the truth of God's word.
  - This also tells us the importance of knowing and remembering God's word, the Bible! The Bible is full of truths and tells us what God wants us to do.
  - It is written in Psalm 119:11, "I have hidden your word in my heart so that I
    won't sin against you", telling us again, the importance of knowing the truths of
    the Bible by heart to help us to not sin against God.
    - E.g. When tempted to lie, we know that the Bible says to not lie. (Exodus 20:16)
    - E.g. When you feel angry towards your parents and you are tempted to be disrespectful or rude or talk back, the Bible tells us to honour your parents. (Exodus 20:12) Sometimes it's also more subtle like maybe you pretend not to hear your parents calling just because you wanted to play one more game... but the Bible tells us how He wants us to honour our parents.
    - E.g. When tempted to steal, the bible tells us also that it is wrong to steal. (Exodus 20:15)
    - Or something more subtle, sometimes we may feel that believing in God is hard because you can't see God, and it's not always easy to hear God... we may be tempted to stop believing, but we can also choose to lean into that feeling and pray for God to help us to believe in Him and in what He says in the Bible that He is always with us. Ask God to reveal Himself to you.

- In times of temptation, we may not always remember the exact words of the Bible, but we can stop, think / pray / ask God, WWJD in such a situation? But of course, as we grow older, we need to keep building up the knowledge of God's word in our hearts.
- Huddle Leaders can choose to insert their own experiences here appropriately.
   Pray and ask God to help you remember a testimony / experience you have to share appropriately to the children.
- We all face temptations everyday, and that's the same for you too. But in such moments I hope you will stop to think, what would Jesus do? You would stop to remember God's truths from the Bible.
  - The truth is the devil is always trying to get us to the side of not being with God. The first part of John 10:10 tells us, "A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.", with the thief referring to Satan, who wants to see us far from God and destroy our lives. But if we hold on to Jesus, he tells us in the second part of the verse, "I have come so they may have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way."
  - 1 Peter 5:8 also tells us, "Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour."
  - So I really hope in moments when you are tempted, and you will be, you would stop to think, is this trying to destroy me? How can I choose what will bring me closer to God?
  - Pray and ask God if there might be difficult topics that you might want to bring up to the kids in your huddle group. (Please keep in mind the age group of your huddle groups). Some examples below. More concrete examples in annex (scroll down).
    - Peer pressure, popularity.
    - Lying and cheating.
    - Bullying.
    - Jealousy and comparison.
    - Attitudes and honouring / respecting others.
    - Swearing and words we use.
    - Addiction to screen time and gaming.
    - Vaping, smoking, kpods.
    - Sensitive topics that might be more suitable one on one or in smaller groups: pornography, self-harm, body image, sexuality

# Personal Reflection:

# For younger kids (P1-P3, ages 7-9)

- What are some things that make it hard for you to obey God? (e.g., lying, not sharing, sneaking screen time)
- When Jesus was tempted, He remembered God's Word. What's one thing about God / Jesus you can remember when you feel tempted?
   (e.g., God loves me, God is with me, I can pray for help)
- 3. If you make a wrong choice, what can you do next time to make a better one?

# For older kids (P4-P6, ages 10-12)

- When you face temptation, what usually makes it hardest to say no—wanting to fit in, wanting something for yourself, or fear of missing out?"
- 2. Jesus answered temptation with Scripture (Bible verses). Which verse or truth about God/Jesus do you think could help you most when you're tempted?
- 3. Think about a time you gave in to temptation. What would it look like to do it differently next time if you asked, 'What would Jesus do?'

### Prayer

Let's pray together, HopeKids.

### Dear Jesus,

Thank you for showing us what it means to stand firm in God and depending on God's Word and God's truth in moments of facing temptations. Thank you too, for loving me and always being with me. Help me to look to You and Your word when I face temptations. Help me to be like You and say no to temptations and no to sin when I face temptations. In Jesus' name, Amen.

# **Memory Verse**

**Objective:** To hide God's Word in the children's hearts.

### Materials needed:

According to how you are deciding to test the kids!

**Memory Verse:** You were chosen to do good even if you suffer. That's because Christ suffered for you. He left you an example that he expects you to follow. 1 Peter 2:21 (NIRV)

# **Activity:**

- 1. Either have your kids think of individual actions and show it to the rest of the kids in the group or
- 2. Decide on an action together as a group and do it together once decided!

Huddle leaders can do this in various ways.

*If using small strips of paper/post-its:* 

- You can give each kid one of the strips of paper for them to write on like a dictation.
- You can make it a game by having each kid in your huddle group write one word and have the kids put the memory verse together using their word.

# *If using verbal means:*

- You can say the verse out word by word, and ask each kid to fill in the next word after you.
- Each kid can take turns to say out one word at a time, completing the memory verse together.

# Annex: possible examples of temptations children face

Category	Ages 7–9 (Younger Kids)	Ages 10–12 (Older Kids)
Honesty	Lying to avoid trouble (e.g., "I didn't break it!")	Hiding mistakes, lying about where they've been online, cheating on homework/tests
Obedience/Rules	Sneaking extra screen time, ignoring chores, disobeying teacher	Arguing with parents, talking back, resisting rules because "I know better"
Peer Pressure	Copying a classmate, joining in laughing at someone	Bullying/teasing to fit in, following trends to be "cool," doing things just to be accepted

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Selfishness/Greed Not sharing toys/snacks, Being jealous of siblings/friends' wanting to be first in games stuff or achievements, struggling to celebrate others **Attitude & Words** Saying mean words, gossiping, Sarcasm, rolling eyes, online being bossy unkindness (group chats, comments) Technology/Media Sneaking YouTube/games after Secret social media accounts "time's up" (TikTok/Discord), watching inappropriate content, gaming addiction **Identity & Belonging** Wanting to impress friends with Comparing themselves (looks, grades, popularity), showing off, silliness trying to change to "fit in" **Anger/Conflict** Fighting over toys, refusing to Holding grudges, seeking share revenge, struggling to forgive friends/siblings