

Matthew 4:7 Does NOT PROVE that Jesus is God?

Jesus Refused to Tempt the Lord His God!

*****What Does Matthew 4:7 TRULY Mean?**

Here is Matthew 4:7 from the KJV. “*Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.*”

The context of Matthew 4:7 is about Jesus being tempted by Satan to prove that he is the SON of God by turning the stones into bread.

And then Jesus resisted that temptation by using the Scriptures as his strength.

In other words, Jesus refused to TEMPT Almighty God by turning the stones into bread in order to satisfy his hunger.

And thus, Jesus was NOT referring to himself as being Almighty God as some Christians wrongly interpret this verse to mean.

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Satan Tempted Jesus to TEMPT Almighty God!

Both Trinitarian Christians and Oneness Christians use Matthew 4:7 to try and prove that Jesus is saying that he is Almighty God Himself. In other words, they “**INTERPRET**” Matthew 4:7 as Jesus SAYING that he IS God. Let us go ahead and read Matthew 4:7 out of its context the way that they interpret it, then we will read it in its context to learn its true meaning.

Matthew 4:7.

*“Jesus said unto him, It is written again,
You shall not tempt the Lord your God.”*

And here is how they “interpret” this verse APART from the rest of God’s word without considering what other verses of Scripture clearly teach us without any interpretation needed to understand those other verses.

Again, both Trinitarian and Oneness Pentecostal Christians that sincerely believe that Jesus is the Father Himself say that Jesus is the one being tempted by the devil which is absolutely true.

Then they say that Jesus is the one doing the speaking which is again absolutely true.

Then they argue that this means that Jesus is saying that He is Almighty God Himself simply because Jesus said to the Devil that he should not tempt the Lord your God.

But is their **interpretation** a sound Biblical interpretation?

Always remember that whatever one concludes a verse of Scripture to mean then that “INTERPRETATION” of that verse of Scripture must agree with the rest of God’s word.

And if the interpretation does not agree with the WHOLE word of God then that interpretation is NOT SOUND

Biblical teaching because it CONTRADICTS other parts of God's word.

So always interpret the controversial verses of Scripture in their context and then compare Scripture with Scripture to learn their true sound Biblical meaning.

Let us read a little context first with some comments added to point out things that we often read right over without considering what the whole passage of Scripture is actually teaching us.

Matthew 4:1-11.

“Then was Jesus led up OF the Spirit

(Here we see that Jesus is being LED BY God which clearly teaches us that Jesus is NOT Almighty God Himself.

For you see, God dwelling in us as Christians does not mean that we are God) *into the wilderness to be*

tempted OF the devil. (Here we see that it is absolutely

true that Jesus is being TEMPTED BY the Devil.

And, according to James 1:13, it is ALSO absolutely true that God Himself can NOT be TEMPTED.

Please read James 1:13 “*Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God CANNOT be TEMPTED with evil, neither tempteth he any man:”*)

Matthew 4:2. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward hungry.

*Matthew 4:3. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If you be the **Son OF** God, command that these stones be made bread.*

(Notice that Satan the Devil does Not say, if you are Almighty God then command these stones to be made bread.

But rather, the Devil wants Jesus to prove that he is the SON OF Almighty God who alone is the FATHER)

Matthew 4:4. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the

mouth of God. (Notice that Jesus did NOT say, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of MY mouth.

Clearly, Jesus is NOT saying that he is Almighty God Himself in the CONTEXT of verse 7)

Matthew 4:5. Then the devil takes him up into the holy city, and sets him on a pinnacle of the temple,

*Matthew 4:6. And said unto him, If you be the **Son OF** God, cast yourself down:* (Here again we see that Satan the Devil wants Jesus to prove that he is the Son OF Almighty God by Jesus purposely jumping off the high pinnacle of the temple.

Also, notice that the Devil quotes part of Psalm 91 to Jesus which promises that the CHILDREN OF God who abide in the secret place will be protected by God's angels) *for it is written, **He** (Speaking of Almighty God the Father) shall give his angels charge concerning you:* (Speaking

of the sons and daughters of God who abide in the secret place)
*and in their hands they shall bear **you** up, lest at
any time **you** dash **your** foot against a stone.*

*Matthew 4:7. Jesus said unto him, It is
written again, (Or it is ALSO written in Exodus Satan that)
You shall not tempt the Lord your God. (In other
words, Jesus understands the true correct meaning of Psalm 91
that he would be deliberately tempting his God and Father if he
willingly jumped off that high pinnacle of the temple.*

So, Jesus COMPARED Scripture with Scripture and
quoted Exodus which proves that Satan's INTERPRETATION
of Psalm 91 is abusing God's word)

*Matthew 4:8. Again, the devil takes him
up into an exceeding high mountain, and
showed him all the kingdoms of the world, and
the glory of them; (Now IF Satan was wanting to know if
Jesus was Almighty God Himself do you think that the Devil*

would be stupid enough the tempt Almighty God Himself a THIRD time after being told to NOT tempt the Lord your God?

But yet Satan takes Jesus up to a high mountain to be tempted yet AGAIN)

*Matthew 4:9. And said unto him, All these things will I give **you**, if **you** will fall down and worship me.*

*Matthew 4:10. Then said Jesus unto him, Get you hence, Satan: for it is written, You shall worship the **Lord your God**, and **Him** only shall thou serve.* (Now IF Jesus was saying that he himself is Almighty God in verse 7 then he would have said, you shall worship the Lord your God and **ME only** you shall serve)

Matthew 4:11. Then the devil leaves him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.”

Now for most Christians the CONTEXT clearly proves beyond any shadow of a doubt that Jesus is NOT saying that he is Almighty God Himself in Matthew 4:7 as Trinitarian and Oneness Pentecostal Christians claim.

But for some of the more hardcore Trinitarian and Oneness Pentecostal Christians they will simply say something like, “Well, that is just your interpretation”, and then they will quickly change the subject by going to another verse of Scripture that they use to try and prove that Jesus is Almighty God Himself.

So then, for those hardcore Christians let us compare Scripture with Scripture. Every Christian knows full well that Moses is NOT Almighty God Himself in the flesh.

And yet Moses uses the same words telling the children of Israel that they should not tempt the Lord your God.

Please read Exodus 17:2.

“Wherefore the people did chide (Or the people did debate or hold a controversy) with Moses, and

said, (In other words, the children of Israel were QUESTIONING Moses. So in my own words they were **tempting Moses** that if God really sent you to deliver us Moses then) *Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, **Why chide you with me?** Wherefore do you **tempt the LORD?**”*

Was Moses saying that he himself is Almighty God by him being tempted by the children of Israel to give them water to drink?

Absolutely not! Moses even made it very clear by saying why are you chiding with **ME?**

For what reason do you tempt the LORD? Clearly, Moses was being tempted to prove that God sent him to deliver the children of Israel by him giving them water to drink.

But yet, Moses said why do you tempt the LORD? So just because Moses was being tempted and said the words, “Wherefore do you tempt the LORD”, does not mean that Moses is saying that he IS Yahweh Himself.

And neither does Matthew 4:7 mean that Jesus is saying that he is Almighty God Himself.

For you see, if one dogmatically demands that Matthew 4:7 means that Jesus is saying that he is Almighty God Himself, then they must be consistent in their interpreting Scripture and also dogmatically demand that Moses is saying that he is Almighty God Himself as well.

But when we read the CONTEXT of Exodus 17:2 to include verse 7 then we can clearly see that God was WITH Moses.

Please read Exodus 17:7.

*“And he called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, because of the CHIDING of the children of Israel, and **BECAUSE they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or not?**”*

In other words, the children of Israel were asking the question to Moses, IF you are sent by God then prove it by giving us water to drink.

Moses had no power or ability of his own to give them water so they were actually tempting God to see whether or not God was WITH Moses or not with Moses.

Later we learn that God was indeed WITH Moses by God giving them water from the rock.

And according to Acts 10:38 we are clearly taught that God was WITH Jesus as being the reason for how Jesus healed the people who were oppressed by the Devil.

Acts 10:38.

*“How **God** **ANOINTED** **Jesus** of Nazareth WITH the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; **FOR** (Or BECAUSE) **God** was **WITH** **him**.”*

It does not say that God anointed Himself and that God was with Himself.

And IF Jesus is truly Almighty God Himself then why would an already Almighty God need to anoint and give POWER to Himself.

Clearly, the Bible itself teaches us in simplicity that Jesus is the Son OF God and that Almighty God the Father DWELT IN the Son of MAN, Jesus through the eternal Holy Spirit.

Jesus himself said that he could do nothing OF himself and that it was the Father DWELLING in him who did the works of healing.

Please read John 5:19.

*“Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **The Son can do nothing OF himself**, but what he sees the*

Father do: for what things soever **he** does, these *ALSO* does **the Son** likewise.”

NOT because Jesus was God the Son the second person of a so-called Godhead Trinity God made up of three persons.

But rather, it was because God was WITH His human Son Jesus by dwelling in him giving the Son of MAN, Jesus the power and the authority to do what God led him to do.

Now read John 14:10.

*“Believe you not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you, **I speak not OF myself**: but the **Father** that **DWELLS IN me**, **HE** does the works.”*

Jesus is not saying that he is the Father. Jesus clearly teaches us that he is NOT speaking of himself by saying that the Father DWELLS in him and that it is the Father doing the works and NOT the Son of God doing the works because the Son can do NOTHING OF himself.

So then, when we CORRECTLY interpret Matthew 4:7 in the LIGHT of the WHOLE word of Almighty God, then we can clearly see that Jesus is NOT saying that he is God in ANY verse of Scripture in the entire Bible.

Thanks for reading, and may God bless you richly as you continue to seek the **TRUTH of the WHOLE word of Almighty God.**

And to me, the truth concerning who Jesus TRULY is, according to the Bible ITSELF, is the Biblical Unitarian view of Jesus.

Once Christians, Jews, Muslims, and even atheists understand **the REASON** that Yahweh CREATED the Son of MAN, Jesus, **was to have DOMINION over the work of** Yahweh's hands.

And after you understand that the REASON that Yahweh did that is **to STILL His ENEMIES**, Satan and the fallen angels.

Then you can understand that God made His human Son **to become “a” Lord, “a” King, and “a” God**, under and subject to his God and Father in order **to JUDGE Satan and the fallen angels**.

For a deeper understanding of this WAR that Lucifer and one third of the angels waged against the throne of Almighty God, please read the studies under the subject category called **** Q-0 Why Are We Here? Is God at WAR? ****.

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Brother Mark.

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