

Popularity Matthew 4:5-7



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- 1. Which of these statements resonates with you the most?
 - a) I always feel so inadequate.
 - b) I can never seem to meet other people's expectations.
 - c) I never seem to have the right thing to say or do.
 - d) No one really cares about me (What I think. Who I am. How I feel.)
 - e) I'm not, and never will be, all that popular.
- 2. Are there particular circumstances where you especially feel like you don't measure up? That you really are not accepted? (Or cared about? Or respected? Or...) Feel free to share some examples...

Temptation #2 = POPULARITY (verses 5,6)

- 1. What do you think of Satan's second temptation? A cheap shot? Brilliant? Brutal?
- 2. What do you think of Satan's use of Scripture?
- 3. How would you put Satan's temptation in your own words?
- 4. How might Satan tempt you the same way?

Answer #2 = Don't TEST God (verse 7)

- 1. What do you think of Jesus' answer? Right on? Hard to process? Good use of Scripture?
- 2. How would you put Jesus' answer in your own words?
- 3. How might Jesus' answer be personally helpful for you?

Always REMEMBER who you are!

The list of verses below is a short list of the many places in Scripture where God declares who we are in Christ. As you read the following verses, for each passage, ask yourself 2 questions:

- 1. What does this say about who I am in Christ?
- 2. What difference can this truth make in my life?
- Matthew 5:13,14
- John 1:12
- John 15:15,16
- Acts 1:8
- Romans 5:1
- 1 Corinthians 6:19,20
- 1 Corinthians 12:27
- Ephesians 1:5
- Colossians 1:14
- Colossians 2:10

Catch all last question: Anything else not covered above or that particularly impresses you from this study?