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Matthew 3:13-17 (NKJV)

**13**Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him.

**14**And John *tried to* prevent Him, saying, “I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?”

**15**But Jesus answered and said to him, “Permit *it to be so* now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he allowed Him.

**16**When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

**17**And suddenly a voice *came* from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

# Matthew 4:1-4 (NKJV)

**4**Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

**2**And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry.

**3**Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, “If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.”

**4**But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’ ”

*Jesus knew the Word of God, and the Word worked. Jesus knew the power of the Word and that the Word contains the power of God.*

# Matthew 4:5-11 (NKJV)

**5**Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple,

**6**and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: ‘He shall give His angels charge over you,’ and, ‘In *their* hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.’ ”

**7**Jesus said to him, “It is written again, ‘You shall not [[a](https://classic.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matt+4%3A5-11&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23217a)]tempt the Lord your God.’ ”

**8**Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.

**9**And he said to Him, “All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me.”

**10**Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.’ ”

**11**Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

# 1 Peter 5:6-9 (NKJV)

**6**Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

**7**casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

**8**Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

**9**Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

# 2 Timothy 2:15 (NKJV)

**15**Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

# Ephesians 6:10-19 (NKJV)

**10**Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

**11**Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

**12**For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of [[b](https://classic.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=eph+6%3A10-19&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-29350b)]the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places.*

**13**Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

**14**Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

**15**and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

**16**above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

**17**And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

**18**praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—

**19**and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel,

*The power and blessings of the armor of God. The Word gives us the ability to stand against all enemies and to withstand all attacks.*

# Isaiah 43:26 (NKJV)

**26**Put Me in remembrance; Let us contend together;  
State your *case,* that you may be acquitted.

# Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

**13**I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.