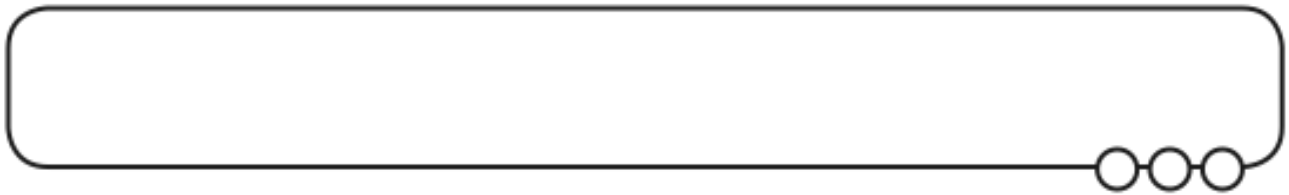




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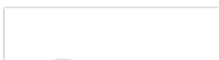


Complete the following story about Jesus' time in the desert by filling in the missing words from the box below.

bread	tempted	days	faith	worship
protect	tired	only	kingdoms	hungry
teaching	strong	desert	pleased	highest

Jesus was led into the _____ by God before he could begin his teaching. Here in the desert he fasted for forty _____ and forty nights. He was very hungry, and very _____ and the devil came to tempt him. Christians remember this time during Lent.

The devil wanted to test how _____ Jesus was and he knew he was _____. First, he told Jesus, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become _____" But Jesus wasn't tricked. He knew it was a trap. He told the devil, "Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." The devil had tried to make him use his powers to help himself.





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Next, the devil took him to the holy city and made him stand on the _____ point of the temple. "If you are really the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. The scriptures say that God will _____ you from harm." But Jesus knew that the devil was trying to test his _____ in God and Jesus answered him, "The scriptures also say: Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

Finally, the devil took Jesus to a really high mountain and showed him all the _____ of the world and their wealth. "I will give you all this," he said, "if you will bow down and _____ me." But Jesus replied, "Get away from me, Satan! The scriptures tell us: Worship the Lord your God, and serve him _____." Jesus' faith in God was too strong for him to be _____. God was _____ to see how strong Jesus was. The devil left him alone, and angels came to wait on him. He was ready to begin his _____.

Draw a picture to illustrate Jesus being tempted in the desert.