“Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides for ever.” I John 2:15-18

**Matthew’s account (Matthew 4:1-11)** I John 2:16

I you are Son, command stones become bread (He *IS Bread*) => Live by Word of God **Lust of the flesh** (sense delight; sense appetites dictate) “Fruit looked good” **Body** (Perceiving the Beautiful) “The Flesh” Chastity Temperance

If you are Son, throw self down from temple (Angels *do* serve) => Shall not test God **Lust of the eyes** (bodily life & goods; intellect mis-guided)

“Did God say…?...No, you will not die” **Intellect** (knowing the True) “The World” Poverty / Humility Faith

*If you worship me*, I will give you kingdoms (All *does* belong to him) => God Alone! **Pride of life** (self-assertion & self-dependence; will asserts)

“*You will be like God*, knowing good & evil” **Will** (desire for the Good) “The Devil” Obedience Love & Hope

**Luke’s account (Luke 4:1-13)** I John 2:16

I you are Son, command stones become bread (He *IS Bread*) => Live by Word of God **Lust of the flesh** (sense delight; sense appetites dictate) “Fruit looked good” **Body** (Perceiving the Beautiful) “The Flesh” Chastity Temperance

If you worship me, *I will give you kingdoms* (All *does* belong to him) => God Above all! **Lust of the eyes** (earthly life & goods; will conflicted)

“Did God say don’t eat…? You will not die” **Will** (desire for the Good) “The World” Poverty / Humility Love & Hope

If you are Son, throw self down from temple (Angels *do* serve) => Shall not test God **Pride of life** (self-vision; intellect misses highest truth)

“You will be like God, *knowing good & evil*” **Intellect** (knowing the True) “The Devil” Obedience of mind Faith

(mystery of existence)

**Col 3:1-5** If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.”

**Ephesians 4:22-24** Put off your old [fallen] nature which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful lusts [illusory desires], and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new [redeemed/ divinized] nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

**Philippians 2:12-13** …[W]ork out your own salvation in fear and trembling, for God is at work in you…. cf. **Phil. 1:6** God will complete what he began...

**Galatians 5:13-6:10** 5:24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Cf. **Gal. 2:20** I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me.

**Titus 2:11-14** For the grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men, training us to renounce irreligion and worldly passions, and to live sober [controlled], upright, and godly lives in this world, awaiting our blessed hope, the appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.