Jesus Is Tested in the Wilderness Mt 4:1-11



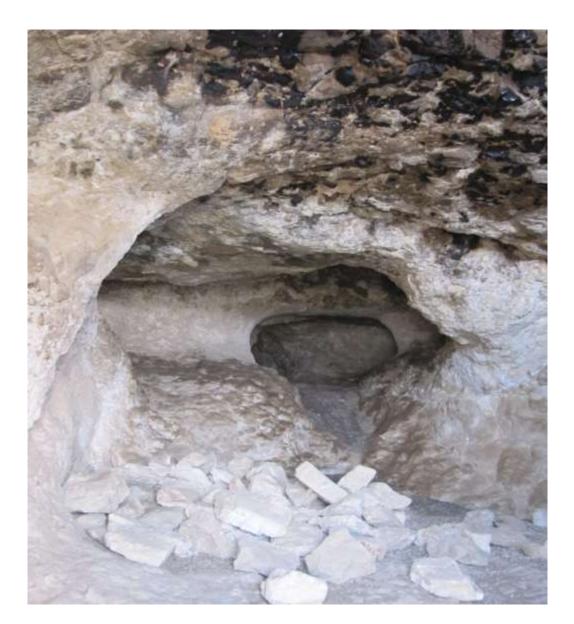
Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert where the devil came to tempt him.



After fasting for forty days and nights Jesus was very hungry.



The devil said to him, "If you are indeed the Son of God, turn the stones around you into bread."



In reply, Jesus repeated the words of Scriptures which said, "People cannot survive on bread alone, but need every word spoken by God."



Then the devil took Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem and together they stood on its highest point.



"If you are the Son of God," the devil said, "then throw yourself down to prove it, because Scripture tells us that God's angels will protect you from harm."



Again Jesus answered him with words form Scripture: "It is not right to put God to the test."



The devil did not give up easily, so he took Jesus to the top of a high mountain where he showed him the kingdoms of the world in all their glory.



"If you worship me," the devil said, "I will give all of these to you."



Finally growing impatient, Jesus said, "Devil, leave me alone! For Scripture tells us to worship God and serve only him."



Finally, the devil left Jesus and angels appeared to take care of him.

