Sermon Listening Guide (November 29, 2026)

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13
Sermon Title: “The Promised One Defeats the Enemy”

First Thoughts

Our Nativity sets at Christmas remind us of the hope the baby brought.
Have you ever wondered what Mary hoped for Jesus?
What did she and Joseph dream he would accomplish?

The Temptation of Christ (Luke 4)

This incredible story describes the temptation of Christ by Satan.
The boldness of Satan in trying to tempt Jesus is staggering.
Jesus had a response for each temptation, and Satan is defeated.
When we choose to follow Jesus, we live in total submission to him.

The Temptation of Adam and Eve (Genesis 3:1-7)

We can contrast Satan’s temptation of Christ with his temptation of Adam and Eve.
The Luke 4 temptation encounter is totally different from the one in Genesis 3.
Mankind is proven to be unable to withstand temptation without the power of God.

The Promise of Victory (Genesis 3:15)

In Genesis 3:15, God informs Satan of his plans to defeat him forever.
In Luke 4, Jesus gives us an example to follow and roadmap to withstand temptation.
We worship a Savior who understands even our darkest and lowest moments.
Our hope rests in the obedience of Christ in Luke 4 and at the cross of Calvary.

Conclusion

While Luke 2 is the classic Christmas passage, Luke 4 shows us what the baby accomplishes.
This Christmas, celebrate the man who came to be with us and brought defeat over the enemy.