

Living in Heaven on Earth

Day 2:



You Cannot Set Your Own Identity

Matthew 4:5-6 (TPT)

“Then the accuser transported Jesus to the holy city of Jerusalem and perched him at the highest point of the temple and said to him, ‘If you’re really God’s Son, jump, and the angels will catch you.’”

Jesus is questioning his identity and the devil takes this opportunity to tempt Jesus into “proving” his identity. If Jesus did the miracle, though, his identity would be his miracle-working power and not his relationship with God.

Activation - Rest in Your True Identity

Matthew 4:8-9

“And the third time the accuser lifted Jesus up into a very high mountain range and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and all the splendor that goes with it. ‘All of these kingdoms I will give to you,’ the accuser said, ‘if only you will kneel down before me and worship me.’ But Jesus said, ‘Go away, enemy! For the Scriptures say: Kneel before the Lord your God and worship only him.’”

During Jesus' time in the wilderness described in Matthew 4, Holy Spirit taught him to know who he was in God. When the enemy showed up and tempted Jesus, Jesus was able to rest in his identity as the Son of God and stand up against the enemy.

Father God, thank You for Your goodness. Thank You for the fullness of who I am as Your child. Thank You that You provide a place of rest as I find my identity in You. When I begin to struggle or feel overwhelmed, remind me to rest in my identity in You. Thank You that You give me everything I need to stand up against the devil! In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.