

In The Wilderness

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The following is an excerpt from Jeshua's new book, in which he explains passages in the Bible.

Then was Jesus led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. After my baptism with John, I went unto a place called The Wilderness, for there was a place to the west of the river Jordan known as The Wilderness: A very dry area where nothing grows except a few scrubby bushes, perhaps you would call them the tumbleweeds. There was very little water and nothing to eat.

I went to that area for it was necessary, having made the demonstration of commitment with baptism, for me to abide within the heart - as I have so often requested of you - to come to a clarity as to how I would proceed.

"An hungered"

And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. Forty days is a long time. It was not necessarily forty days as you would reckon the sun coming up and going down, but it is meant to be a long time - and it was a long time and I grew hungry. The body asked of me to put physical nourishment into it, but there was nothing but the tumbleweeds to be eaten and they did not seem to be much of nourishment. So I was, as your Scripture says, "an hungered."

And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

Now, when I was in India and studying with the masters, I learned that I could manifest whatever thought came from the heart, the inner divine being. I had demonstrated unto myself that I could put forth the hand and manifest whatever was needful. So I knew that I did not need to chew on the tumbleweeds. I could call forth bread and water.

In Truth you manifest in every moment

But the question was: to do that? For it is easy to do. In Truth, you manifest in every moment as you image and call forth the molecules of physicality in the design pattern of the body. You manifest when you image a meal for yourself. It is no different than putting forth the hand and having it manifest in front of you - except by the belief in process of time.

The commonly held belief upon this plane is that it takes time and that there will be a process before you see what you will eat. But know you that you can manifest right now in the hand what you would eat, if you so desire and believe.

You are manifesting what you are experiencing with me, right now. You call forth in every moment exactly what you experience and what you see. So I knew that it was very possible to manifest the bread and water to eat.

But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Now, while I was abiding those weeks in The Wilderness, I was also reviewing, reciting the Scriptures which I had studied and learned. I had taken these Scriptures to my heart; I remembered what was said and why it was said and what the deeper meaning was.

And I knew what was coming up for me now was, would I take the short-term view? Would I put my focus on the material or would I look to the eternal Son which I am, the eternal Child of the Heavenly Divine Source.

By bread alone

And I remembered that man may momentarily think that he lives by the bread which nourishes the body, but the body is your creation, which you bring forth in every moment, and truly you live and express by every word with proceedeth out of the mouth of God. In other words, you live and express out of Who you are, the Son/Daughter of Divinity. That is where you live and from whence you express.

If you feed the body, within an hour or so you will be hungry again. When you put your focus on the material, the focus is upon only a part of Who you are. Choose you, therefore, not the material which goes back into dust. Choose you not that which will fade in time, but choose that which issues forth from the mouth of God: The knowingness of Who you are, the divine Source of what you create.

Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple. Now, there was not a devil as you would see a separate entity from myself who came and took me. But in my imaging faculty, I took myself, in what you call imagination, up to a pinnacle of the temple. And my thought was - your Scripture says it was the devil - Saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. In other words, the temptation was: Okay, throw yourself down from a height which will seem to be quite outrageous in physical terms, and prove that you can survive the fall.

Thou shalt not tempt

Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again I was remembering the Scriptures which I had studied and had taken to heart.

Thou shalt not tempt... This was not said in hopefulness, but this was said as a Truth. Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God, for you cannot. The Lord who you are cannot be tempted, for the wholeness which you are lacks nothing. "Thou shalt not tempt" is a statement of Truth. There is no way that you can tempt the Lord your God when you are in the knowing of your oneness of the Divine Source.

I knew that I could take the physical body to the highest pinnacle of the Temple. And I knew, because I am the Energy which collects the molecules of physicality in each moment into the form of the body, that I could cast the body down and it would be unharmed. For I had gone through trials in my studies with the great masters both in India and in what you call now Great Britain. I knew what the body is made of.

So I knew this feat was very possible to do, and I knew that if I did this, my brothers and sisters would see it as a miracle, and they would come unto me and establish me as a God above them - which has happened in any case.

Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and showeth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

And I thought of all of the kingdoms in the world and all of the riches in those kingdoms. If I were to set myself up as a great God, I would be worshipped by the ones in the kingdoms and by the rulers, who would want to have me on their side, and all of the riches of all the kingdoms would be mine. And it was tempting, for I knew that I could use those riches and distribute them to the poor. And I knew that I could set up a new world order, but I also knew this was not the way, for it would be a temporal kingdom abiding in time, and in time all things pass away.

Get thee hence

Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and Him only shall thou serve.

I knew that I could make a demonstration which would bring to me many followers who would want to worship me. However, I did not want followers. I did not want the kingdoms of the world. I knew that the Kingdom which I was the share with my brothers

and sisters was the Kingdom of our Father, the divinity of eternal Love. It was not a worldly kingdom.

Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him. What that means is, I felt a great peace having come unto the realization of what is eternally True. The kingdoms of the world come and go, as you have experienced throughout your many incarnations. The kingdoms rise in the power of the world and they fall in the power of the world. You have been the leader who has been upon the crest of the wave as it was rising, and you have been on the wave as it went under. You have done that many times.

But the Kingdom in which you truly abide is the Kingdom of Light, the Kingdom of Love, the Kingdom of our Father. When you connect with that Truth, it matters not what else is offered unto you. For the offerings are as the dust in front of you and you are the jewel, the precious jewel.

So in the forty days and forty nights which I spent in The Wilderness there were many, many thoughts, many doubts which came. The doubts came first. The voice of ego and then the visions still tied to temporal understanding. Those visions bordered on what you would call now, hallucination, and yet were an expansion of reality. All of those temptations came and were considered, until finally I was at peace.