

**“It is written,** ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’”

Matthew 4:4

# Satan's famous triad in temptations

1. The introduction: I am your friend!
2. The catch: "it is written"!
3. The purpose: You worship me!

# How Satan uses the Scriptures

1. He twists its meaning or its interpretation.
2. He uses the words not in their intended place.
3. He convinces those who listen to him to use the Scriptures only to judge others or to boast about knowing them.

**How should we approach  
the Word of God?**

# 1. With Humility

“If you do not know, O fairest among women,  
Follow in the footsteps of the flock, And  
feed your little goats Beside the shepherds’  
tents”

*Song of Solomon 1:8*

## 2. With Diligence to Know It

“You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me”

*John 5:39*

“How sweet are Your words to my taste,  
sweeter than honey to my mouth!”

*Psalms 119:103*

# 3. With Eagerness to Understand It

“And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures”

*Luke 24:25*

## 4. With Reverence and Fear

“Then everyone who trembled at the words of  
the God of Israel assembled to me”

*Ezra 9:4*

## **5. With the Spirit of Submission**

“...casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ”

*2 Corinthians 10:5*