

Revelation Series

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νικάω *nikao*

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“victors, winners, conquerors, overcomers.”

Cognate to the noun, νίκη, *nike*, “victory, success.”

Nikao “to overpower, to gain victory, to win.”

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Perfect: completed action

Jesus completed His victory over the world before He went to the Cross.

DEVIL

World System



The Characteristics of *Worldliness*

- The Biblical concept of “worldliness” describes the collection of ideas, philosophies, religions, standards, values, purposes, and methods to achieve those ends, which characterize a culture or subculture. As such, this worldview incorporates and is expressed in every aspect of a culture’s views of the individual and social relationships, theories of knowledge and learning, expressions of reality in visual and performing arts, science, technology, literature, and law. When the Christian operates within this thought structure, even though it may overlap in many ways with a Biblical worldview, it is still classified as worldliness.

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Worldliness is the thought of the creature Lucifer in rebellion against God.

Arrogance ⇨ Promotion of self, the creature/creation becomes the ultimate reference point.

Antagonism ⇨ Hostility toward God, His plan, thinking, and revelation.

Israel

Lord Jesus Christ

Type	Antitype
Following their “baptism” with Moses (1 Cor. 10:3)	Following His “baptism” with John (Matt. 3)
In the wilderness	In the wilderness
40 years	40 days and nights
Tested with hunger	Tested with hunger
Failed to trust God’s Word and promises	Succeeded in trusting God’s Word and promises

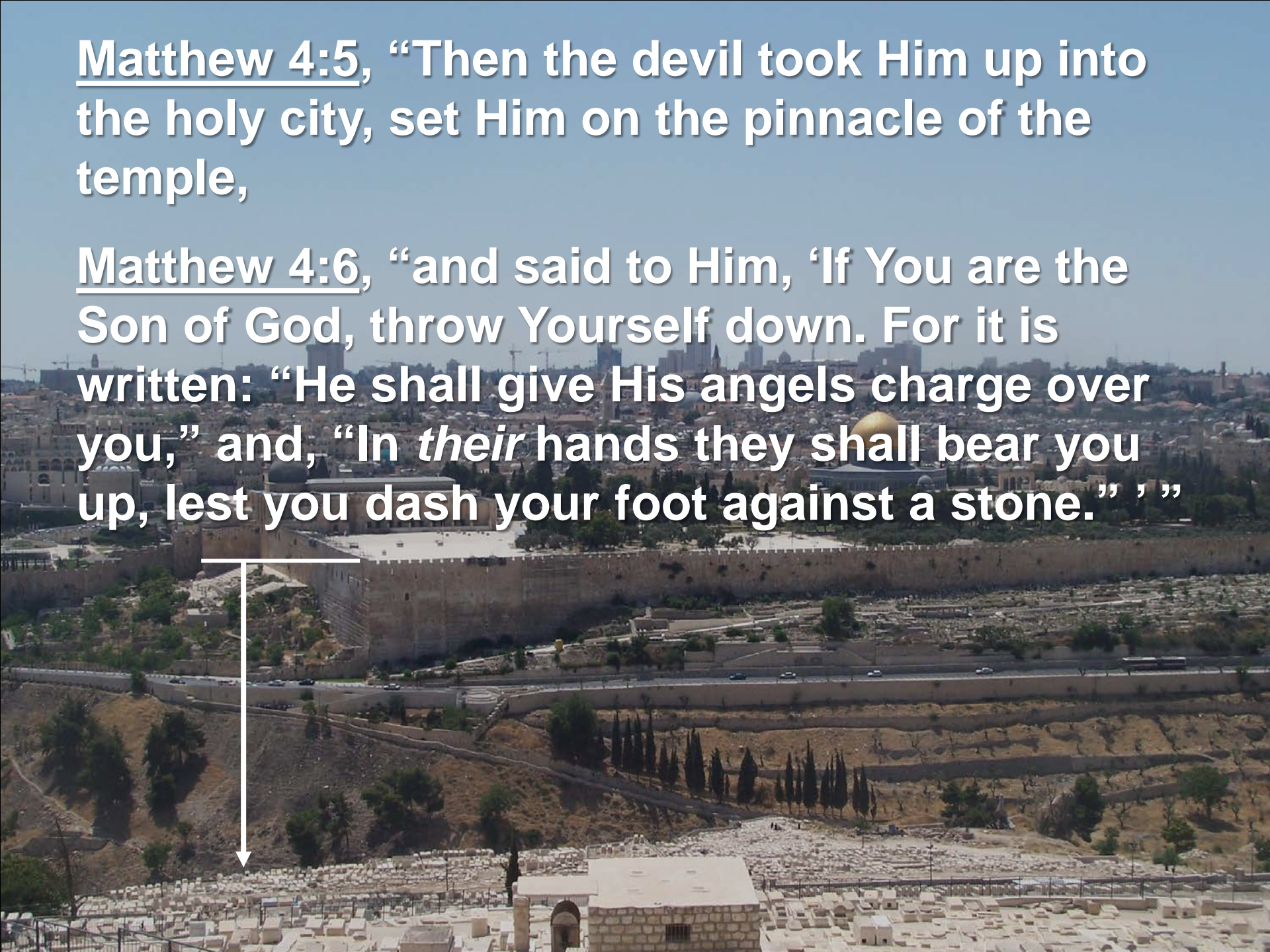
Matthew 4:3, “Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, ‘If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.’

Matthew 4:4, “But He answered and said, ‘It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.” ’ ’ ”

Deuteronomy 8:3, “So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every *word* that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.”

Matthew 4:5, “Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple,

Matthew 4:6, “and said to Him, ‘If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: “He shall give His angels charge over you,” and, “In *their* hands they shall bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.” ’ ”



Psalm 91:9, “Because you have made the LORD, *who is* my refuge, even the Most High, your dwelling place,

Psalm 91:10, “No evil shall befall you, nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;

Psalm 91:11, “For He shall give His angels charge over you, **to keep you in all your ways.**

Psalm 91:12, “In *their* hands they shall bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.”

Matthew 4:7, “Jesus said to him, ‘It is written again, “You shall not tempt the LORD your God.” ’ ’ ”

Deuteronomy 6:16, “You shall not tempt the LORD your God as you tempted *Him* in Massah.” [see Exodus 17:1ff]

Matthew 4:8, “Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.

Matthew 4:9, “And he said to Him, ‘All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me.’ ”

Matthew 4:10, “Then Jesus said to him, ‘Away with you, Satan! For it is written, “You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.” ’ ” [quote from Deut. 6:13]