



“Passing The Test”
Small Group Questions
Week of December 9, 2018

Icebreaker:

If you were king for the day what would you do?

Discussion Questions:

1. Reread John 6:1-15.

2. Why do you think this is the only miracle (besides the resurrection) that is recorded by all four gospels?

3. How do you feel about Jesus testing us?

Read James 1:2-4; the root word for ‘trials’ is the same word John uses in verse 6. How does this help to explain why Jesus would test us?

4. How do you tell the difference between a trial, a test, a temptation, a result of sin (yours or someone else’s), and just a life challenge?

5. How much exposure have you had to the “prosperity gospel”?

Why are so many Christians taken in by it? What is its harm?

6. Tim Keller, in his book *Prayer*, writes of Paul’s prayers: “He does not see prayer as merely a way to get things from God but as a way to get more of God himself.”

How much of your praying is to draw closer to God relationally and how much is asking God for things?

How do we strike a better balance?

7. Which question of our test was more difficult for you to answer?

How did you answer them?