



SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. **What are some wins you had this week?** (Wins can be as simple as “everyone in my family is healthy” or “my coworker asked me to pray for them”).
2. **What stood out to you most from Sunday’s message, and why? How will you try to apply one thing from the message this week?**
3. **How has your faith been tested during this COVID season, and how strong is your trust in Jesus right now? On a scale of 1-10, 10 being the most, share where you are at with both your faith and trust in Jesus.**
4. **Out of the 4 different ways we experience testing, which has impacted you the most and why?**
5. **How can we pray for you this week?**

HOW GOD TESTS YOUR FAITH TO BUILD YOU UP PASTOR JEREMY McGARITY

“According to your faith let it be done to you.”
MATTHEW 9:29 | NIV

“Without faith, it is impossible to please God.”
HEBREWS 11:6 | NIV

“The apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith!’”
LUKE 17:5 | NIV

I. HOW DOES GOD BUILD MY FAITH?

• **BY _____ IT.**

“... the testing of your faith produces perseverance ... so that you may be mature and complete ...”
JAMES 1:3-4 | NIV

“... continue to follow (Jesus). Let your roots grow down into Him, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong ...”
COLOSSIANS 2:6-7 | NIV

II. HOW DOES GOD TEST MY FAITH?

1. GOD TESTS MY FAITH THROUGH

“... For a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold ...”
1 PETER 1:6-7 | NIV/NLT

*"See, I have refined you, though not as silver;
I have tested you in the furnace of affliction."
ISAIAH 48:10 | NIV*

*"Consider it pure joy, whenever you face trials of many kinds,
because you know the testing of your faith produces perseverance ..."
JAMES 1:2-3 | NIV*

• LESSON: TO LIVE BY FAITH, I MUST LEARN TO

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2. GOD TESTS MY FAITH THROUGH HIS

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*"The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day.
In this way, I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions."
EXODUS 16:4 | NIV*

• "By faith Abraham ... obeyed and went ..."
HEBREWS 11:8 | NIV

• "By faith Noah ... built an ark ..."
HEBREWS 11:7 | NIV

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3. GOD TESTS MY FAITH THROUGH _____.

*"... God led you all the way in the (desert) these forty years, to ...
test you in order to know what was in your heart ..."
DEUTERONOMY 8:2 | NIV*

*"[God] acts on behalf of those who wait for Him."
ISAIAH 64:4 | NIV*

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4. GOD TESTS MY FAITH THROUGH _____.

*"If you haven't been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth,
who will trust you with true riches?"
LUKE 16:11 | NIV*

*"... Excel in the grace of giving. I am not commanding you,
but I want to TEST the sincerity of your love by
comparing it with the earnestness of others."
2 CORINTHIANS 8:7-8 | NIV*

**EXAMPLES: 1 CHRONICLES 29:14-17
MALACHI 3:10 - GOD SAYS "TEST ME!"**

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*"Come near to God and He will come near to you."
JAMES 4:8 | NIV*