



# ASPEN SMALL GROUP

## Aspen Group Questions

Week of March 1, 2020

### Opening Question:

Share a time when you were strongly tempted and you resisted

**Read:** Matthew 4:1-11

**Sermon Response:** What did you gain from the sermon this week?

### Discussion Questions

1. Why does the Spirit send Jesus to be tempted?
2. God doesn't tempt us, but sometimes allows it, why?
3. What does it mean to pray "lead us not into temptation?"
4. Why does the devil start his temptations with the phrase "if you are the son of God"
5. What's at stake here if Jesus fails to resist the temptations?
6. Go through each of the three temptations and try to figure out why it would be tempting to Jesus, and how Jesus is able to resist?
7. Think about the role of scripture in this passage. What do we learn knowing that both Jesus and the devil know and use scripture?
8. In the sermon, Pastor Travis focused on our identity as beloved by God. How does the devil try to undermine that identity?
9. Why does the devil tempt us? What's in it for him?
10. What are the consequences if we fail to resist temptation? What's at stake?

### Make it personal

1. What helps you resist temptation?
2. Where do you want to strengthen your ability to resist temptation?
3. What work of God are you being called to that the devil is working to prevent?

**Share Highs and Lows since you last met**

**Pray**

