



¹After this, Jesus crossed the Sea of Galilee (or Tiberias).



²A huge crowd was following Him because they saw the signs that He was performing by healing the sick.



³Jesus went up a mountain and sat down there with His disciples.



⁴Now the Passover, a Jewish festival, was near.



⁵So when Jesus looked up and noticed a huge crowd coming toward Him, He asked Philip, "Where will we buy bread so that these people can eat?"



⁶He asked this to test him, for He Himself knew what He was going to do.



⁷Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread wouldn't be enough for each of them to have a little."



⁸One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him,



9"There's a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish — but what are they for so many?"



¹⁰Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place; so they sat down. The men numbered about five thousand.



¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and after giving thanks He distributed them to those who were seated — so also with the fish, as much as they wanted.



¹²When they were full, He told His disciples, "Collect the leftovers so that nothing is wasted."



¹³So they collected them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces from the five barley loaves that were left over by those who had eaten.



¹⁴When the people saw the sign He had done, they said, "This truly is the Prophet who is to come into the world."



that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He withdrew again to the mountain by Himself.





1. The Testing: Jesus is the Source of Ministry



2. The Blessing: The Cross is the Course of Ministry



3. The Resting: The Eternal Crown is the Focus for Ministry

