

2.17.19 - Isaiah: Light to the Nations - Christian

Deliverance from Sennacherib

Leader Prep Section

- Prepare by reading through the questions and scripture passage so that you can select a few questions from each section that are best suited to your group.
- Try to work through at least one question from each of the sections - Hook, Book, Look, Took in order to move from observation to application.
- When possible spend time in prayer for each member of your group.

Hook - Ice breaker type questions to help make the transition into the study time.

- What are some things that stood out to you from Sunday's sermon?
- Do you have a favorite bible *story*, and why?

Background / Reading

Read: Isaiah 36 & 37 (Yes, both chapters! Bonus points for a dramatic reading)

- Does anyone have any questions about this passage? Or observations that stand out to you immediately? (Remind those who share that we'll likely return to their ideas in our discussion!)

Book - These questions are designed to get you into the text itself.

- How would you summarize the message of the king of Assyria in chapter 36?
- Why did the palace workers ask the Assyrian commander to speak to them in Aramaic instead of Hebrew? V. 36:11
- What does the king of Assyria believe about the God of Israel? V. 36:18-20 (That he is just like any other nation's gods that let them down)

Look - These questions will take you on a deeper look at what the passage means for us today.

- If you were Hezekiah, how would you feel after hearing Sennacherib's taunt?
- Based on the text, what do you think Hezekiah believes about God? (37:3-4; 14-19)
- What do you think is the "moral" of the story?

Took - These questions are focused on applying the big idea from the text to our lives.

- What can we learn from Hezekiah's example in this story? (asking Isaiah to pray, his own prayer of faith, how he knows and trusts God's character, etc.)
- What do we learn about God in this story?
- Are there situations in your life right now that are tempting you to question God's goodness and faithfulness? How can we lay them before God for you?