

6.2.2019 - Isaiah: Light to the Nations - Tim

Leader Prep Section

- Prepare by reading through the questions and scripture passage so that you can select a few questions 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?
- Share about a time with someone was compassionate towards you.

Background / Reading

Read: Isaiah 9.17; 14.1; 27.11; 30.18; 49.13, 15; 54.7, 8, 10; 55.7; 63.7, 15.

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

- What do these passages together say that God is like? Create a list describing God as completely as possible from these passages.
- What do these passages assume is the problem with humans? What do we need?
- How are people meant to respond to God in these passages?

Read: Matt 9.36; 14.14; 15.32; Mk 6.34; 8.2; 9.22; Lk 7.13

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

- What do these passages together say that Jesus is like? Create a list describing Jesus as completely as possible from these passages.
- What do these passages assume is the problem with humans? What do we need?
- How are people meant to respond to Jesus in these passages?
- What is the connection the Gospel writers are making between God and Jesus in these passages?

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

- Do you tend to think of compassion as a defining characteristic of God in the Old Testament? Why or why not?
- Other than a couple characters in Jesus' stories, the Good Samaritan and Father of the Prodigal, Jesus is the only one in the Gospels who is described as showing compassion. Why do you think this is?
- Do you think of Jesus' compassion as an expression of his humanness or his God-ness? Why?

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

- What is God saying to you about his posture towards you?
- Who in your world needs to experience the compassion of Jesus?
- What does this make you want to pray?