

Community Group Discussion Guide

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
ISAIAH

Sunday, June 6, 2021

Scripture: Isaiah 19-20

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The oracle to Egypt is a warning that God will visit unrepentant sinners with his judgment, but it is also the good news that God has graciously sent us a Savior in His Son Jesus Christ.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

- How are these oracles to the ungodly nations applicable to us today?
- What unhealthy alliances had Israel made, and how had it impacted them? Are you entertaining messages from the culture or engaging in relationships that are negatively influencing you (1 Corinthians 15:33)? How do we faithfully serve Christ without evading culture or whole-heartedly accepting it?
- What consequences will Egypt suffer at the Lord's coming (19:3-15)?
- Where did Egypt seek counsel, and why are these practices forbidden for God's people (19:3)?
- Why was losing the Nile devastate Egypt (19:5-10)? Are you trusting in anything but God for your identity, purpose, security, or hope?
- How did God judge Egypt's leaders (19:11-13)? Do you attempt to solve problems in life on your own, or do you turn to the Word and wisdom of God?
- Why has Judah become a terror to the Egyptians (19:16-17)?
- How are the Egyptians and Assyrians changed from enemies of God's people into fellow worshipers (20:18-21)? Who is the unnamed "savior and defender" who will deliver them (19:20; Ephesians 2:13)? How do you think this knowledge of future redemption impacted Judah's treatment of Egypt and Assyria? Does this reality change the way you think about and treat your neighbors?
- What is significant about the repetition of the phrase "in that day"? When will these events happen (19:24-25)?
- What lesson did God teach the nations by his naked prophet (20:5-6)? Discuss how we are saved through the unjust humiliation and crucifixion of Jesus Christ.