

Community Group Discussion Guide

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
ISAIAH

Sunday, March 27, 2022

Scripture: Isaiah 52:1-12

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

God single-handedly delivers rebels from their bondage to sin, and he graciously calls and equips his redeemed people to herald the good news of his Son Jesus Christ to the world.

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

- What is the greater, eternally lasting deliverance that the Babylonian exile points to (51:6)?
- Why does God instruct Judah to "awake?" What do the four divine imperatives in verse 2 imply?
- Where do you tend to turn for strength and deliverance when experiencing adversity (Isaiah 12:2; 45:24)? Share a time when God challenged you to trust Him and revealed his grace to you.
- What is God revealing about himself by reminding Israel of their past oppressors (verse 3-6)?
- How can a holy God justly clothe sinners in beautiful garments and redeem them without money (1 Peter 1:18-19; Romans 3:23-26)?
- Briefly summarize the gospel (good news) in your own words (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)? When did you first hear the gospel and believe it?
- Why does Paul quote Isaiah 52:7 in Romans 10:13-15? Explain the difference between the announcement of good news and advice?
- What does God instruct his people to do in verses 11-12? Where do we see this command repeated by Jesus Christ? What comforting promise is mingled with his command (verse 12)?
- How do we remain separate from the world and engage the world with the gospel?