



LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE



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Dive In

Go around and let everyone answer...

What does it tell you about Scripture that Isaiah 53 was written 1000 years before Jesus' birth? (Remember last week's discussion about the importance of the Word of God)

Dig Deep

Read Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-11

- Vs. 1: What did it take to convince you that Jesus is who he says he is?
 - o Answer is important because your reasons for believing are relevant to sharing with another person, specifically, that one person with whom you are sharing the Gospel. Your story can help bring someone else to faith in Christ
- Vs. 2 says that Jesus' appearance (beauty, majesty) didn't distinguish him from the crowd. So what attracts you to Jesus? What attracted you before you committed to him? What keeps you attracted?
 - o Is it what you read in Scripture about him doing? (Miraculous works, purity of his character, the way he treated others, etc.)
 - o The power of his words?
- Vs. 3: Have you ever been ashamed of your faith in Jesus? Do social pressures ever cause you to stay quiet?
 - o How can we strive to bear witness to the reality of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection in our daily life?
- Vs. 4-6: Despite how we are frequently ashamed to speak for Christ or to wear his name with pride, vs. 4-6 says that he carried our weaknesses and sorrows. God laid our sins on him even though we, like sheep, were led astray to follow our own path. Christ did not suffer because of his own sins. He suffered for **our** sins
- Vs. 10: "It was the will of God to crush him and cause him grief"
 - o This verse shows us how much God wants to have a relationship with us. This is also how much God wants to have a relationship with that one person who you know needs to hear the Word of God.
 - o In our own brokenness, it can be hard to believe these truths. How can we increase our faith that God wants to know us and develop a relationship with us? We can't convince others of it until we believe it ourselves.

Do Big

- Set aside some specific time in prayer to truly reflect on and thank God for the redemption plan he orchestrated throughout history which allows us to have salvation through Christ.
- Look for opportunities to share the way you've experienced the things we discussed tonight with your one person