

DATE: April 16th, 2023

TITLE: The Whole Story of the Bible in About 16 Verses.
Episode #13: The Suffering Servant

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 53:1-12 (Highlighting 53:6)

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FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

OPENING PRAYER

ICE BREAKER: Tell a brief story about attending a worship gathering that was very different than what you typically experience? What did you appreciate/not appreciate about the differences?

THINK BACK: Referring back to this week's sermon... What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture AS IT WAS TAUGHT THIS WEEK? Was there anything that left you with questions?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- **Read Isaiah 53:1-2.**
- What phrases capture your attention? Why?
- What one or two words best describe the person being talked about in Isaiah 53?
- Read Isaiah 53:6. How is human activity described? What is God's response to our actions?
- Since we follow a Suffering Servant, what should be the most central thing about our lives?

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- Isaiah 41:8-9
- Isaiah 49:5
- Isaiah 50:1
- Isaiah 52:13
- John 1:10-11
- Philippians 2:3-7
- Mark 10:45

APPLICATION

Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion.
Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life?
What does God want you to know or do?
What's one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

REMINDERS

Check the bulletin and monthly newsletter for special announcements and events.

- Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve 1x every six weeks or so.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!! One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

Check the event page on the website for ways that you could get plugged in here at FCC. Here are a couple of those things:

Bobbi is always on the look out for new volunteers in KidZone. Please consider helping out this Spring and Summer! Contact Bobbi at bobbiblanchard@homeforever.org

Go see what's happening! fccnr.org/events