

## BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

**In preparation for Sunday, October 8, 2023**

**Passage: Isaiah 53:4–6**

Memory Passage: Isaiah 53:4–6

### **DAY 1 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**

### **READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 53:1–6.** Write a paragraph summarizing what you learned last week from your study of Isaiah 53:1–3.
- (b) Write a paragraph describing how your application of last week’s study aided your sanctification.
- (c) What similarities do you see between Isaiah 53:1–3 and Isaiah 53:4–6?
- (d) How do Isaiah 53:1–3 and 53:4–6 connect in context, and how does 53:4–6 advance the thought of this Servant Song?

### **DAY 2 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**

### **READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 53:4–6.** Who speaks in vs. 4–6?
- (b) Write down each verb found in vs. 4–6, give its meaning, and state whether it is past or present tense.
- (c) Write down each pronoun found in vs. 4–6 (i.e., “we/our,” “him/his”) and explain how they related to your list of verbs.
- (d) What does this relationship between pronouns and verbs tell you about the meaning and theology of these verses?

### **DAY 3 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**

### **READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 53:4–6.** Do “griefs” and “sorrows (v. 4a, b) refer to the same things as they did last week in v. 3b? Explain.
- (b) What did the “we” group “esteem” the Servant to be (explain what each word means; v. 4c, d)?
- (c) What did they assume about the Servant with these estimations, and how do “yet” (v. 4c) and “but” (5a) inform your answer?
- (d) How are these estimations connected to the description of the Servant in vs. 2–3?

### **DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**

### **READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 53:4–6.** What is the relationship between “transgressions/iniquities” and “peace/healed” in v. 5?
- (b) Who was the one who “pierced,” “crushed,” and “chastised” in v. 5?

- (c) What type of “healing” and “peace” are provided by the Servant’s work (v. 5)?
- (d) How does this healing and peace manifest in your own life? What circumstances in your life lead to not experiencing this healing and peace, and how should you respond?

**DAY 5 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**

**READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 53:4–6.** Why did Yahweh lay the iniquity of straying sheep on his Servant?
- (b) How does the word “and” (v. 6c) function in this verse?
- (c) What do you learn from Peter’s application of these verses in 1 Peter 2:19–25?
- (d) Write down at least three applications of Isaiah 53:4–6 and 1 Peter 2:19–25 and commit to God to enact them throughout the coming weeks.

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*The 4<sup>th</sup> Servant Song Verse 3: Our Substitute: Pierced for Our Iniquities*