

Community Group Discussion Guide

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
ISAIAH

Sunday, May 30, 2021

Scripture: Isaiah 17-18

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Human-centered security and glory are unstable and last temporarily, but God's glory is incomparable, infinite and demands our worship.

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

- What military events are described in the Oracle to Damascus (2 Kings 16)? Explain the irony of 16:3b. What is glory?
- What are the metaphors used in verses 4-6, and what are they meant to communicate?
- How will Israel and Syria, as well as all the surrounding nations, respond to God's judgment brought through the Assyrians (17:7-8)?
- What are the "deserted places" that God brings to Israel's attention in 17:9-11?
- What does it mean to "forget God" (verse 10)? Are there patterns in your life of forsaking God? How do we guard ourselves against this?
- What is God revealing about himself with the "ahs" and imagery of 17:12-14 (Isaiah 37:33-36)? How is this revelation both a warning and encouragement?
- What good news is Judah directed to give to Cush (18:1-6)? What will be the inevitable response to the revelation of God's infinite glory?
- What is foreshadowed in the concluding verse of this oracle (Acts 8:26-39)?