

Community Group Discussion Guide

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
ISAIAH

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Scripture: Isaiah 33

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

In this week's passage, Isaiah prophesies about a Mighty and Merciful King who will defeat Judah's enemies and provide deliverance, protection, and refuge for God's people.

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

- What's significant about the repeated "Ahs" or "Woes" in chapters 28, 29, 30, 31, and 33? Who is the "Destroyer" and "Traitor" that God warns?
- What do Israel's prayer (verses 2-4) and Isaiah's message (verses 5-6) reveal about Judah and God?
- What is Isaiah illustrating with the ravenous caterpillar and swarm of locusts in verse 4?
- Contrast Jerusalem's current state (verses 7-9) with the restored Zion (verses 17-22).
- What universal announcement does God proclaim about Himself in verses 13-16? What does the "consuming fire" and "everlasting burnings" referring to?
- Put the six characteristics of the righteous person described in verse 15 in your own words. Explain how these traits are not a means of salvation but the products of God's saving work through Jesus Christ.
- Who is the King announced in verse 17, how will he rule, and what will be the extent of his reign?
- What illustration does Isaiah use of Assyria in verse 23? How did God deliver his people from the Assyrians (2 Kings 19:32-27)? When will God ultimately deliver his people from *all* their enemies?
- Do you regularly contemplate the beauty of Christ and the gospel?
- How does this text help reaffirm your faith, clarify your hope, and rekindle your joy in Christ?