

# Community Group Discussion Guide

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO  
**ISAIAH**

Sunday, February 20, 2022

Scripture: Isaiah 46-47

## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

YHWH is the unrivaled God who graciously saves sinners from the burden of idolatry and will judge those who persist in their defiance against His rightful authority.

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

- What truth is Isaiah communicating with the metaphor at the opening of chapter 46? What theme do 46:1-2 and 47:1-3 share?
- Explain how idols burden us. How do we avoid wasting our God-given talents and skills?
- When we find it difficult to trust God, what is the remedy (46:8-10)?
- Who is the "bird of prey" that God will use to accomplish his purpose (46:11)?
- How will God judge Babylon for her sin? What was the nation's chief sin (47:8, 10)?
- Explain how God had used Babylon for his greater purpose (verse 6). Why were they still culpable for their actions?
- What does each of the titles in 47:4 reveal about God and his dealing with Babylon?
- On what did Babylon depend for her safety, security, and prosperity? When experiencing trials and difficulties, where do you tend to turn for your safety, security, and comfort?
- What does Babylon symbolize in Scripture (Revelation 18)?
- How does this text anticipate Jesus Christ and his gospel?

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCE

*Habits of Grace* by David Mathis