

HOME CHURCH

March 21-28, 2021

Fort Langley E-Free Church

Passages:

The 2nd Servant Song:

Isaiah 49:1-7

+ Isaiah 48:1

+ John 1:11

+ 1 John 5:12

The Other Servant Songs:

(1) Isaiah 42:1-7

(3) Isaiah 50:4-7

(4) Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Chosen Sacrifice The Servant Songs

Passage: Isaiah 49:1-7

Title: Sharp and Inviting

Speaker: Pastor Jason

Songs:

How Deep the Father's Love

Reckless Love

Jesus Messiah

The Lion and the Lamb

Discussion

Two good ways to start each week:

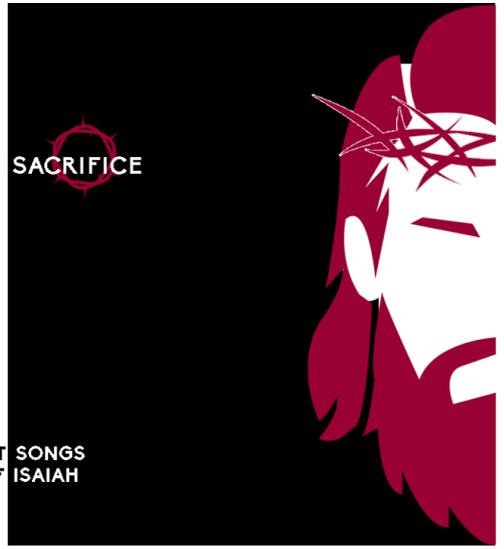
1– Discuss general thoughts about the passage(s) and message.

2– Discuss what words or ideas God spoke to you through in the songs or worship. How did it tie in with the message?



CHOSEN SACRIFICE

THE
SERVANT
SONGS
OF
ISAIAH



Discussion for this week

1) Chosen | Sacrifice

Bowed down to receive the anointing of chosen-ness. Forced down to have a crown of thorns thrust on. The contrast is so sharp as to seem contradictory:

Honour, favor, privilege vs dishonour, shame, suffering

Why do the Servant Songs want us to experience *this* tension in our embrace of Christ?

2) Sharp and Inviting: Israel

The Servant Jesus became the Israel that *the nation called Israel* did not become. Talk about the ways that Israel became sharp without being inviting, and inviting without sharp. Where can you relate?

3) Sharp and Inviting: Jesus' Ministry

+What are examples of gospel sharpness in Jesus's ministry?

+What are examples of gospel invitation in His ministry?

+What should we take away from people's rejection of Jesus and his perfect (and perfectly delivered) message?

4) Sharp and Inviting: Us

+Are gospel invitations a part of relationships with people who don't "have the Son?"

+Discuss and pray: "God, how can you work in me to make invitations to Christ a part of these relationships?"

+How will you seek God for opportunity, courage and wisdom to not hide or avoid the gospel because of its sharp edge?

5) Sharp and Inviting: The Father with the Son

The Father's *invitation* to the Son to be the perfect Servant included a *sharpness* directed onto the Son. The perfect Servant took on the punishment for unfaithful Israel and the sinful world. Thank and praise Jesus for accepting both the invitation and the sharpness.

As in Isaiah 42, this Servant embodies all that Israel should have been. This Servant is an ideal Israel, God's perfect Servant—and thus a figure different from empirical Israel, and one that is able to save empirical Israel.

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