

# Sermon Based Discussion Guide

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## BIBLE PASSAGE

### Isaiah 53: 1-3

1 Who has believed what he has heard from us?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

2 For he grew up before him like a young plant,

and like a root out of dry ground;

he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,

and no beauty that we should desire him.

3 He was despised and rejected by men,

a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;

and as one from whom men hide their faces

he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

**Other Passages: 1 Peter 2:4-8; Revelation 21:4-8**

**Connect:**

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

**Care:**

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

**Challenge:**

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight.

**Read Isaiah 53 again out loud with the group, and take note of the word "he". Consider the one description that stands out to you and offer your own thoughts on why that one is important or interesting.**

1. Take a moment to share how this makes you feel to hear how others are describing the Messiah in these ways. (in a somewhat negative or sad light)
2. Has there been a time in your life that this description of the Messiah has been a comfort to you, share with the group how that was comforting. It might be a good time to discuss the different kinds of grief that exist within your group and or community.
3. Looking over to Isaiah 9:1-7 and then Isaiah 53 we see a fuller picture of the Messiah, a beginning/middle and end. Take some time to explore and answer how this informs our understanding and belief of Jesus being the Messiah.
4. How could this help your confidence and boldness in sharing your faith this week?

**Clarify:**

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

**Celebrate:**

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

**KEY TAKEAWAYS**