



Begin: take this time to hear how everyone is doing, and get settled in.

- What is something to celebrate this week?
  - **IceBreaker:** If a stranger watched your calendar and your spending for a month, what would they guess matters most to you?
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Listen: This is for reflection on Sunday's Sermon and thoughts from the message.

- What stood out to you about this week's message?
  - Is there anything you are still thinking about or have questions about?
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Discover: Take time to dig deeper into the passage/topic for this week.

- **Read: Isaiah 41:8-10, 41:21-24 and 44:6-23**
  - God calls Israel "my servant, whom I have chosen" and says, "Fear not, for I am with you" (41:8-10). Who makes the first move in this relationship, and why does that matter for worship?
  - In 41:21-24, God challenges the idols to explain the past or declare the future. What does the challenge reveal about the difference between God and idols?
  - God says, "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god" (44:6). Why does He tie this claim to His ability to declare what is coming?
  - In 44:9-20, a craftsman burns half the wood to warm himself and bows down to the other half. What does this picture reveal about how idolatry works?

Apply: Take time to apply these Biblical Truths to your life.

- Idols are often good things made ultimate. What good thing in your life has started carrying weight only God can bear?
- What would you say is “the other half of the wood” for you, the things you rely on for daily comfort that quietly become what you trust?
- The idolater couldn’t see the lie in his own hand. What helps you notice a false hope you’ve been holding onto?
- God says “return to me” because He has already redeemed. How does that change worship from trying to earn His favor to responding to what He’s done?
- **MY ONE THING** — What is your 1 takeaway from this study, and how will it impact your upcoming week?

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Pray: Feel free to pray in a way that best fits your group. Take time each week to pray with and for each other.

Notes: Space for you notes from your time together.

“I HAVE BLOTTED OUT YOUR TRANSGRESSIONS  
LIKE A CLOUD AND YOUR SINS LIKE MIST;  
RETURN TO ME, FOR I HAVE REDEEMED YOU.”

ISAIAH 44:22

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TO ISAIAH