



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

- What is something to celebrate this week?
 - **IceBreaker:** When you are running on empty, what actually refuels you?
 - What happens when you try to push through without it?
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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**
 - God opens with "Comfort, comfort my people" and tells Jerusalem her warfare is ended and her iniquity pardoned (vv.1-2). Why does comfort begin with forgiveness?
 - Verses 6-8 say people are like grass that withers, but "the word of our God will stand forever." What is the contrast, and why does it matter for weary people?
 - In verses 9-11, "Behold your God!" leads to a shepherd who rules with a strong arm and gathers lambs in His arms. What does it say that strength and tenderness show up together?
 - Verses 29-31 promise strength to those who "wait for the LORD." What does this say about where renewed strength comes from, and what it asks of us?

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

- Where do you feel like Israel did in verse 27, as though God has overlooked your situation?
- God's comfort starts with pardon. Are you receiving His forgiveness, or still carrying guilt He has already dealt with?
- Verse 8 says everything else fades but God's word stands. What are you hoping in that is fading right now?
- Waiting on the Lord is not passive. What would it look like to wait on Him, rather than rush ahead, in your current season?
- **MY ONE THING** — What is your 1 takeaway from this study, and how will it impact your upcoming week?

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.

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ISAIAH 40:8

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