



December 13, 2020
Longing for Healing
Isaiah 53:1-6



CELEBRATION - HOW DID YOU SEE GOD THIS WEEK AS YOU FOLLOWED HIM?



WORD - WHAT DID GOD SAY IN HIS WORD?

Opening Question: When was a time when you or someone you loved was sick and you prayed for healing? Have you prayed for healing for things other than sicknesses?

Isaiah's prophecy about God's servant showed us that we would be healed by his wounds. Let's read it again:

Read together: Isaiah 53:1-6

Reflect together:

Does it sound like people will recognize the Lord's servant? Why or why not? If people weren't going to recognize the servant at first, why do you think God chose to send him in this way?

Isaiah says that the servant has "borne our griefs and carried our sorrows" (53:4). How does a person bear another person's griefs? How does this apply to Jesus?



HEART - WHAT DID GOD SAY TO ME THROUGH HIS WORD?

The scripture says people don't see the servant because he is unimpressive, not beautiful, and characterized by sorrow and grief. When you look for God's work, do you first try to look for ways he has brought you comfort, health, or wealth? What does the nature of the servant have to tell us about where we might find God's work?

What longings for healings do you have today? How does Jesus's suffering on your behalf make a difference in those longings?



WORLD - WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO ABOUT IT?

As followers of Jesus, we too are to take up our crosses to follow him and lay down our lives that we may keep them. Who is shouldering grief, loss, or sorrow right now that you could help to bear the burden and show them the love of Jesus?