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## The \_\_\_\_\_ of Isaiah

### 1. God's righteous \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

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God's judgment burns because Israel and all peoples have \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ against Him and \_\_\_\_\_ other things. God has \_\_\_\_\_ to judge.

### 2. God's gracious \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_.

#### *Who is He?*

God's promised \_\_\_\_\_. (7:14, 9:1-7, 11:1-10)

God's faithful \_\_\_\_\_. (42:1-4, 49:1-7, 52:13-53:12)

#### *How will He save?*

He will "pour out Himself to \_\_\_\_\_" to "bear the sin of \_\_\_\_\_." (53:12)

#### *Who will He save?*

Any and all who \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Him. (55:5-7)

*He has now come and is coming again.* (61:1-2, Lk. 4:17-30)

*Isaiah, like all the prophetic literature, is unfamiliar and a formidable challenge for 21st Century Americans like ourselves. Yet this too, is God's Word for us. Today we talk about how to hear it and make sense of it . . .*

### 3 reasons why "The Prophets" will be a tough stretch . . .

1. Because we are unfamiliar with the prophetic \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Because of the challenges of prophetic \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Because of our often \_\_\_\_\_ view of \_\_\_\_\_.

*Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ that can help us make sense of the all these prophetic \_\_\_\_\_.*

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## CONNECTING TOGETHER

As we come together in this first week of Winter Growth Groups, share blessings/challenges from the holidays and how you are feeling at the beginning of the new year.

If your group is new or you've added new members, be sure to introduce yourselves and share a bit of your story and how you came to GraceSLO.

And let's keep snapping and posting those pics of your group. You can send them to [jeff@graceslo.org](mailto:jeff@graceslo.org) or post them using #GraceSLOGrowthGroups.

## UNDERSTANDING & APPLYING GOD'S WORD TOGETHER

1. Isaiah 1:1-20 sets the tone for the book. Read it together and discuss what you see there. What is God's charge against His covenant people? What is God's call to His covenant people?
2. Read Isaiah 36 & 37, part of one of the only narrative passages in the book. What happens here and why is it significant in terms of the overall message of Isaiah's prophecy?
3. One of the main elements of Isaiah (and all the prophetic literature) is the reality and certainty of God's judgment. Why is this concept so hard for us 21st Century Americans? Do you think it's equally hard for different peoples in different places?

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4. How does God's sovereignty relate to God's judgment? Do you really believe in God's sovereignty in the world today? How does God's holiness relate to God's judgment?
5. Read Isaiah 9:1-7 and then Isaiah 53:10-12. Do these passages sound at all like they're describing the same person? What do we learn about our Savior from each?
6. Read Isaiah 61:1-2 and then Luke 4:17-30. What is the significance of Jesus stopping his reading of Isaiah where he did? What is Jesus claiming in Luke 4 and how do we know, based on the response of the people?
7. How do the promises of Christ, hundreds of years before His coming, impact your soul?

## PRAYING TOGETHER

Read Isaiah 66:1-2 and let it fuel your prayer for one another and for our church in 2015.