

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

IMAGO DEI: AND SERVING OTHERS

Jason Greene | Isaiah 58:1-12 | March 6, 2022

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2. Read Isaiah 58:6-12. In your own words, summarize what the LORD is asking of his people. What will be the results if they obey the LORD's commands?
3. Isaiah 58:6 challenges the people to address injustice, inhumanity, and inequality. How are these needs seen in our community as well as in our nation and the world today? Give specific examples.
4. How are God's people addressing these needs in the world? How might you support this work both financially and otherwise?
5. Isaiah 58:7 lists ways to serve individuals in need. Which of these are you already doing and/or which do you feel called by God to do?
6. Read Proverbs 21:13. How might helping the needy and receiving answers to prayer be connected? (Cf. Isa. 58:9-10)
7. Conclude with prayer. Ask God to help you see (rather than overlook) the poor, needy, immigrant, and neglected you personally encounter or see reported upon in the news. Pray that God will help you see them as He sees them and that your heart will be filled with the compassion for them that fills God's heart.

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