



Images of God:

A Mother's Day Reflection

Discussion Guide

Isaiah 42:10-17, Isaiah 49:14-17, Isaiah 66:7-13

Luke 15:1-31





WEEKLY READING

Primary texts from this week: Isaiah 42:10-17; Isaiah 49:14-17; Isaiah 66:7-13

Secondary text from this week: Luke 15:1-31

GETTING STARTED

Goals for this session: To reflect on a few instances where Biblical authors describe God and God's activity to be like that of a woman or mother

Missed the sermon? Watch it at www.youtube.com/venturamissionary

Break the Ice: Talk about your own experience with Mother's Day.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is something that stuck out to you about the sermon this week?
2. Why do you think Isaiah chooses to use mother language about God's work on behalf of God's people?
3. Do you think the global church has been guilty of neglecting to discuss traditional female traits as also true of God, and if so, how has that limited our understanding of God?
4. If a follower of Jesus had a horrible earthly father, how could discussing God as neither male or female attract them to the one true God?
5. Pastor Brian reflected that God is not dispassionate about where we each are in this moment of our life and journey. What needs or concerns uniquely frame this season of life for you?
6. Pastor Brian mentioned that God was at work in the lives of the people of God, even when they were in exile. How have you seen God working through seasons of trial for you and what did exodus or leaving exile look like for you in that instance?



