

Small Group Questions

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GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

1. When was the last time you can remember a project or a problem getting out of control? What happened?

RECAP:

We've all experienced situations that get out of control; a leak or a mechanical failure of some sort or even an obnoxious parent and child in a store or in a theater. Maybe it was even more personal than that because it involved consequences of your own choices.

What we have learned from the Old Testament so far this year is that God's people acted obedient and compliant at times. Yet at other times they were unruly and OUT OF CONTROL. The reason they were out of control was because sin got out of control and God had to do something about it.

On Sunday, we continued in Isaiah with our series AGENDA: A Study in the Prophets. We already heard how God judges to restore relationship with those he loves. This week we heard Isaiah speak for God about a **coming Savior** and a new system to deal with this uncontrolled sin issue.

2. What kind of systems (schedule, parenting, finances, security, etc) have you put in place in an effort to keep life from getting out of control?

DIGGING DEEPER:

verses: Isaiah 52:13-15, 53:1-12

Perhaps thinking of Isaiah 53:6, one hymnist wrote, "Prone to wander... prone to leave the God I love." There is a wandering instinct on the inside of us all. Choices turn into lifestyles leaving us wondering, "How did I get here?"

3. Can you explain how this 'wandering instinct' contributes to sin growing out of control in our lives?
4. Jesus satisfied the requirements of sin. He said, "It is finished." Do you tend to think and live more in the world of "do" or "done" when it comes to a solution for your sins? Explain.

TAKING IT HOME:

Think of how it feels when someone takes on your load; they carry something too heavy for you or they finish a task you were having difficulty with. In Isaiah 53:4-6, we read that all of our pain, suffering, afflictions, transgressions, iniquities and punishment were laid upon Jesus.

5. How does this truth increase your appreciation of what God did by taking your heavy load and placing it on Jesus?

Join us on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm If you don't already have another class you attend on Wednesday nights, please join us at Peoples Church for our continuing series on Revelation.