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### **Community Group Questions: Isaiah 40: Romans 15**

**God's past faithfulness motivates our hope for the future. Biblical hope isn't a naive positivity for the future, but a matured perspective of faith that clings to God's promises while patiently waiting for them to come true**

- As a child, what was a Christmas gift you remember hoping to find under the tree? Did you get it?
- What is a promise of God that you have put your hope in?

**When we are weak, hope gives us strength (Isaiah 40:28-31)**

- Talk about an area of your life, relationship, or situation that is making you (or has made you) feel powerless, weak, or tired.
- Why does that area of life, relationship, or situation make you feel that way?
- How can you put your hope in the Lord in this area of life? What would change or has changed when you did?

**When we are empty, hope fills us up (Romans 15:13)**

- Describe what living on empty looks like for you?
- How in your day-to-day life can you be filled by the God of Hope?
- What would it look like at work and home to walk around Holy Spirit filled and overflowing with hope?

**When we can't go any further, hope makes a way (Hosea 2:14)**

- Is there a moment you remember being stuck, but God made a way?
- How does living surrendered to Jesus give you "a new birth into a living hope?" (1 Peter 1:3)
- How can you practically *live out hope* this week?

**1 Peter 3:15** "you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it."

- If someone were to ask you, how would you explain the hope you have in Jesus?