



Family Memory Verse

10 Yet the Lord was pleased to crush him severely. When you make him a guilt offering, he will see his seed, he will prolong his days, and by his hand, the Lord's pleasure will be accomplished. After his anguish, he will see light and be satisfied. By his knowledge, my righteous servant will justify many, and he will carry their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:10-11

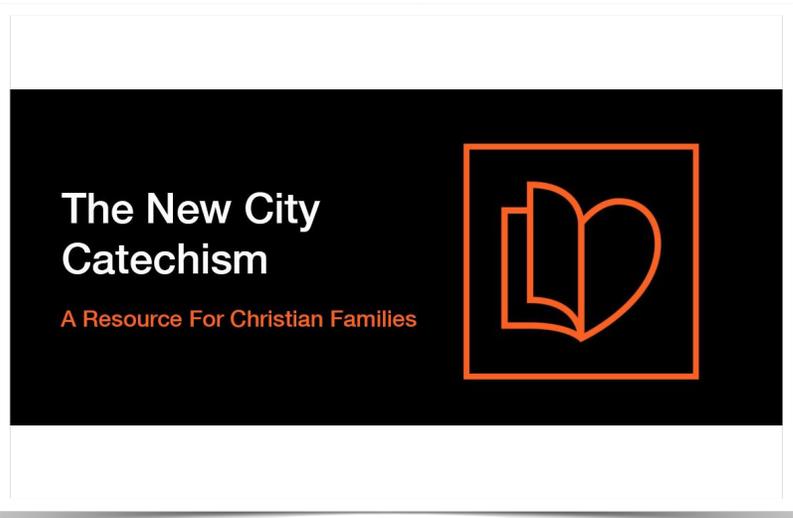
Question & Answer

Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?

"Yes, God reconciles us to himself by a Redeemer."

Big Idea

God has made provision to bring people into a right relationship with him.



Family Discipleship

1. As a family, read Isaiah 53:10-11.
2. Imagine that you are sitting on death row waiting to be executed for crimes that you have committed. How would you feel? Now, imagine that at the last minute, someone who has never committed a crime steps in and takes your place. How would you feel?
3. This is exactly what Jesus did for us. Why did he have to die? (To fulfill the Old Testament prophecies and to be obedient to the Father.)
4. Isaiah lived hundreds of years before Jesus. How would Isaiah have known about Jesus's life and death?
5. The point is—God has always had a plan. God knew, before He created the world, that we would sin and that the Son of God would have to come and save us. How does knowing that God has always had a plan for you and your salvation give you assurance and hope?



As A Group...

1. Spend time praying for one another.
2. Encourage and hold one another accountable in the area of having a personal quiet time.
3. Talk about each member's "one" friend or family member who doesn't know Christ. Pray for them by name and encourage and hold one another accountable to share the gospel or offer an invitation to the "one."
4. As a group, plan an activity that you can invite unchurched neighbors to so that you can get to know the people around your group.
5. As a group, encourage and hold each other accountable in the area of serving. Where is each member serving in the body of Christ and the kingdom?

Discussion Questions

- 1 Have the group read Ephesians 2:1-10.
- 2 In what ways do you see people replace Christ as their sole object of faith?
- 3 Why do so many people believe that their actions will help them gain salvation and/or put them in a better standing before God?
- 4 At what point do "Christian things" (such as, going to church and reading the Bible) become an act of idolatry rather than acts of obedience?
- 5 How does understanding the sinful nature of man magnify our view of God?
- 6 How does knowing that through Christ, we have been given assurance of eternal security, comfort us in our daily walk with God? (See Romans 8:31-39)

