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## Cornerstone Men

Cornerstone Men equips men to follow Jesus, connect in community, and grow in their faith.  
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## Cornerstone Women

Cornerstone Women's mission is to help women follow Jesus through growth in community at Cornerstone Church.  
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## Sermon Discussion Questions - December 19 & 21, 2025

### Advent 2025

### Week 4: Isaiah 53:1-12

**Ice Breaker:** *At Christmas, we often focus on the joy, traditions, and celebrations. But sometimes we forget the cross and the empty tomb.*

- **Q1: What assumptions or expectations about Christmas—or about Jesus—might cause someone to miss who Jesus really is?**

*Read Isaiah 53:1-12 together. Isaiah says the suffering servant was “despised and rejected.”*

- **Q2: In what ways do people today still reject Jesus—both openly and in quieter, more subtle ways?**

*Isaiah also describes the servant as “a man of sorrows, acquainted with grief.”*

- **Q3: Are there ways you tend to downplay or minimize your suffering or assume God doesn’t really care about it? How does this passage challenge or comfort you?**

- **Q4: How might believing that Jesus truly understands your pain change how honestly you bring your struggles to God?**

*Isaiah makes it clear that Jesus came to be our substitutionary atonement, dying in our place.*

- **Q5: How does understanding Jesus as your substitute help you keep the full Gospel in view during the busyness of the Christmas season?**
- **Q6: How does knowing that Jesus died in your place shape the way you live, worship, or treat others?**

*Jesus endured the cross for the “joy set before Him,” receiving the servant’s reward—and that same inheritance is offered to us if we accept Him!*

- **Q7: Are there ways that you have been rejecting Jesus—either keeping Him at arms length or openly resisting Him? What is holding you back from surrender?**
- **Q8: In light of Isaiah 53, what might it look like for you to “come and adore” King Jesus in a new or renewed way this season?**

*Take a few minutes to encourage each other, and spend some time in prayer together!*