

Still Hope in His Name: Mighty God

Isaiah 9:6 & Isaiah 42:1-4

SERMON NOTES AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

I. Introduction:

Give-up-itis is a real threat!

II. Question: How is your hope?

1. Biblical hope is the confident expectation that God is willing and able to fulfill the promises He has made to those who trust in Him

III. Affirm the Wisdom of His Tender-power

1. Jesus radically redefines power
2. Understand God's purpose
3. The Good News of His Tenderness

IV. Hope in Jesus' Tender-power

Discussion Questions

Sharing Life Together

1. Who are people in your life who have inspired you with hope?
2. How is your hope level?

Reflecting on the Message Together

Read Isaiah 42:1-4 and 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

1. How is God's weakness greater than human strength? How would you explain this passage to someone who doesn't know the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
2. How is God's foolishness greater than human wisdom?
3. How does Isaiah 42:1-4 affirm the tenderness of the Messiah to bring about justice?
4. What do you think are some of the key features of how Jesus calls us to use power over against the way power works in the world?
5. How can the tenderness of Jesus inspire hope for broken and hurting people?
6. What change do you think you need to make in the way you exercise power to better align with the way of Jesus?
7. How did God speak to you through the message?
8. How can we pray for one another?