



FEARLESS

DEEPER STUDY GUIDE | APRIL 5

Understanding the Promises of God Isaiah 41 | Josh Baer | Sunday, April 5

*Spend a few minutes in casual fellowship before starting the Deeper meeting.

1. A time of praise and reflection

- What are you thankful for today? **or** What can you praise God for in your life right now?
- Did you discuss last week's message with anyone?
- Josh discussed foundations (what we stand on). What are you standing on today?

2. Biblical Engagement | A Deeper Look at Isaiah 41

- **One person read Isaiah 41:10,13 and Isaiah 40:31** out loud with everyone looking a copy of Scripture.
- **Discuss what this passage means based upon the sermon.** Put this passage in your own words, or read a Bible paraphrase like *The Message* (available online or in YouVersion).
- Answer the following questions:
 - God never runs out of resources, as he is the one making the promises to us. Discuss how amazing it is to think that God has unlimited resources. How is this comforting to those who are in Christ?
 - The promises given in Isaiah 41 are given during a time of significant trials and/or uncertainty. They were given at a time when the people were thinking, "This is too much for me to handle!" Why are these promises so comforting during times like these? What is your favorite promise of God in Scripture? How can these promises help us navigate what is going on because of COVID-19?
 - God is active in the world today. Think about your salvation experience. How did God interact with you during this experience? This would be a great time to share your salvation testimony!
 - What do we do now? How do we live this out? Isaiah 40:31 tells us that we need to wait. This does not mean to sit around and do nothing. It means to obey, trust and hope.
 - Is there an area of your life that God is speaking to you about concerning obedience?
 - Is there anything that is keeping you from trust God completely during this trial?
 - What is this hope Josh taught about today?

3. Obedience to God

- Standing on the promises of God requires us to wait. What needs to change in your life to make this happen?
- Waiting requires a genuine trust in God and obedience. Bible engagement and prayer are key to both of these spiritual disciplines. Will you commit to doing this at least four days this week?
- Who do you know that needs this message?

4. Praying Together

- What is an immediate need you have?
- Is there someone you know who needs prayer right now?
- What is an area of weakness, a burden, or a concern that we can pray with you about?