Study Guide on Isaiah 40:21-31

English Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study. Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

- 1. What does this verse say?
- 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- 3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Isaiah 40:21-31

(Isaiah 40:21) Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

(Isaiah 40:22) It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;

(Isaiah 40:23) who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

(Isaiah 40:24) Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

(Isaiah 40:25) To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

(Isaiah 40:26) Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing.

(Isaiah 40:27) Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

(Isaiah 40:28) Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

(Isaiah 40:29) He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

(Isaiah 40:30) Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;

(Isaiah 40:31) but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?