#### **Growth Group Leader Guide**

This "growth group leader guide" is meant to be exactly that, a guide.

Please feel free as the leader of your group to add questions or comments as you feel necessary to fit your group's dynamics.

Also, don't feel pressure to cover every question.

### Isaiah 6:1-13 – Reorienting our Worship

## What is Worship?

- 1. What does it mean that we worship God?
- 2. What is the purpose of worship?
- 3. Are there any products of worship?

### **Understanding the Context – Read Isaiah 1:2-8**

- 1. How is Israel described in this passage?
- 2. What is being addressed in this passage of verses?

Leader Cheat: Israel's wickedness and the reason for God's

punishment. See Isaiah 1:6-8

3. Why does God say He is punishing Israel?

#### Isaiah's Commissioning – Read Isaiah 6:1-8

- 1. Focus in on Isaiah 6:4-5. What does Isaiah's exclamation say about how he views himself and Israel?
- 2. How does this compare to the description of Israel in Isaiah 1:2-8?
- 3. What does Isaiah's exclamation say about his character?
- 4. Read Isaiah 6:6-8. Why is Isaiah's exclamation important to his eventual commissioning?
- 5. What is the significance of the purification of Isaiah's lips in Isaiah 6:6-7?

# Israel's Punishment & Future Hope – Read Isaiah 6:9-13

- 1. What is your initial reaction to this passage? What is Isaiah's reaction to the message he is supposed to preach to Israel (see verse 11)?
- 2. What is God's purpose in having this message preached to the people?

  Leader Cheat: This message is God declaring His punishment to Israel for their sin of Idolatry. They are becoming what they worship and God is giving them over to their sin.

- 3. Have different people read the following passages: Isaiah 42:17-20 and Psalm 115:4-8. Compare and contrast the description of idols with God's message in Isaiah 6. What are the similarities and differences?
- 4. Read Isaiah 6:13. What does this verse provide Israel with?

  Leader Cheat: Hope. Jesus is the Holy Seed

#### Ephesians 4:17-25 - Reorienting our Worship

- 1. Read Eph. 4:17-25. What is Paul calling us to in this passage? How is this passage similar to Isaiah 6:1-13?
- 2. Read Eph. 4:25-5:2. What are some things you need to put off in order to follow Christ better? What do you need to put on?
- 3. Are there any idols in your life that are distracting you from true worship of God?