

— THE SERVANT — WHO SAVES



Sermon Discussion Questions

The Insignificant Servant // Isaiah 52:13-53:3

- When have you totally misunderstood something (maybe a song lyric, or what someone said or did)? How did you feel when you found out the truth?
- Pastor Joey said, “God rarely shows up how you expect him to.” When have you experienced that in your life?
- How has expecting God to show up in one way made it difficult for you to see how God showed up in a different way?
- Look at Isaiah 52:13-15. We tend to think that nobody who goes through suffering, loss, and rejection could have God's blessing and approval. How have you felt that about yourself or others?
- Did Jesus's suffering and loss and rejection mean he didn't have God's approval? What does Isaiah 52:13 say about that?
- Look at Isaiah 53:1-3. Isaiah says that God showed up in ways that nobody would have expected; all the external signs of God's “blessing” weren't obvious in Jesus. What do you expect it to look like when God shows up?
- Can you look back and see ways you've missed how God did show up – maybe because you were expecting some amazing experience, or unconditional affirmation, or angry judgment?

- How are you expecting God to show up in your life right now? In what ways might your expectations keep you from seeing him?
- This week, pray that God would open your eyes to see where he already is with you. Ask him to help you trust that when he shows up, it's always better than what we expected.

