

True Beauty | Isaiah 3:16-4:6
Sermon Discussion Questions
10/14/18

1. This week's message focused on beauty. Pastor Tom spent some time at the start of his message discussing how the world sees and defines beauty. How would you say the world looks at beauty? What leads you to think so?
2. The passage for this week is the second part of Isaiah 3. In it there is a specific warning for women (though the principle applies to men as well). The Scriptures highlight a problem. What is the problem the women of Jerusalem are dealing with? What is God upset about?
3. The issue here is pride. Pastor Tom explained how pride is an issue of thinking too much of ourselves and not enough of God. How have you seen the struggle with pride manifest itself in your own life?
4. Isaiah 4:2-6 provides a solution to the issue of pride. It provides a picture of hope for all who believe. Read over the verses and think back to the message: what is the hope and solution promised?
5. Jesus is the beautiful branch, he is the hope that's coming. In him we find the help to stop exalting ourselves and choosing to exalt God. What will choosing to exalt God grant us?
6. We started by discussing the world's view of beauty, but God has a different view of beauty. Pastor Tom discussed Isaiah 53:2 and 1 Peter 3:3-4 and how they help us see God's view of true beauty. He highlighted three things from these verses, what were they? What do they tell us about what true beauty is?
7. All of us must recognize that true beauty is found in Jesus alone. As we choose to exalt and focus on him instead of ourselves, we allow him to mold and shape our character and bring out the beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit. Take some time to pray for each other, for God to do this work in us and thank him for the work of his spirit.