

Father Knows Best | Isaiah 47-48

Sermon Discussion Questions

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1. Is there a time in your childhood when you remember thinking you knew better than your parent, grandparent, or caregiver? How did that person respond to you?
2. The people of Israel were supposed to be set apart in the world by their unwavering trust in The Lord and in being fully devoted to Him. However, in verse 1 the Lord accuses them of saying they trust Him “but not in truth nor in righteousness.” What are some of the ways we share in the the people of Israel’s struggles to trust the Lord?
3. Pastor Tom highlighted how we can be just as obstinate and stubborn in our attitude towards the Lord as the people of Israel were in Isaiah 48. In what ways have you seen stubborn and rebellious attitudes in your own life or in our culture today?
4. The Lord’s response to the people’s rebellion and stubbornness is mercy. He shows mercy so that his name may be glorified and his reputation preserved. What does God’s decision to show mercy to his people reveal to you about his nature?
5. Reread Isaiah 48:17-19. God is proclaiming that he knows best and he will bring peace and blessing to those who listen to his voice. In what ways do you hear God inviting you to leave your place of captivity and bondage, stubbornness and rebellion to be able to shout with joy about the Lord’s redemption?
6. What are some of the areas in which you have been trusting in the Lord, even when it has been hard?
7. In this passage, the Lord calls Himself our “Redeemer,” what are ways in which we can collectively be praising the Lord for being our Redeemer?