Community Church From Rubble to Redemption: Isaiah 53 December 13, 2020

- 1) People tend to paint pictures of the way they want things to be. They do this with Social Media by only giving people the highlight reel. They do it with job applications by leaving things out or embellishing the truth. Unfortunately, we do it with the bible. We cherry pick scriptures that make us feel comfortable. What are some ways that people do this? What verses have you seen people do this with?
- 2) Read Isaiah 9:6. Is this verse true? Is this the whole truth about baby Jesus? What part of the story of Jesus is left out of this verse? What is the danger of just using this verse for our understanding of who Jesus is and why He came?
- 3) Read Isaiah 52:13-53:6. This is a much fuller picture of who Jesus is. How is this description of Jesus different than Isaiah 9?
- 4) As you read those verses, what are some things that stand out to you?
- 5) How can/will you view Christmas differently in light of these verses?
- 6) Re-read Isaiah 53:4-6. Why was Jesus born? Why did He have to come?
- 7) Spend some time praying for one another as you prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth.

