

Community Group Question Guide

Isaiah 44:1-8 – The Day Fear Died

- 1 *“But now hear, O Jacob my servant,
 Israel whom I have chosen!*
- 2 *Thus says the LORD who made you,
 who formed you from the womb and will help you:
 Fear not, O Jacob my servant,
 Jeshurun whom I have chosen.*
- 3 *For I will pour water on the thirsty land,
 and streams on the dry ground;
 I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring,
 and my blessing on your descendants.*
- 4 *They shall spring up among the grass
 like willows by flowing streams.*
- 5 *This one will say, ‘I am the LORD’s,’
 another will call on the name of Jacob,
 and another will write on his hand, ‘The LORD’s,’
 and name himself by the name of Israel.”*
- 6 *Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel
 and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:
 “I am the first and I am the last;
 besides me there is no god.*
- 7 *Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.
 Let him declare and set it before me,
 since I appointed an ancient people.
 Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.*
- 8 *Fear not, nor be afraid;
 have I not told you from of old and declared it?
 And you are my witnesses!
 Is there a God besides me?
 There is no Rock; I know not any.” ESV*

In this oracle, what does Isaiah reveal about God, his character, & his work?

What are the commands in this text?

What command is given three times?

What are the reasons given as to why God’s people need not fear?

In what ways, if any, do the Cross and Resurrection speak to this oracle?

In what ways specifically to fear?

How does this text change your understanding and thinking?