

## **Life Group Discussion Guide**

**September 18, 2022**

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

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1. Apart from the suffering of Jesus under Pontius Pilate, we cannot fully understand God and we cannot fully understand ourselves. Explain.
2. “For the essence of sin is man substituting himself for God, while the essence of salvation is God substituting himself for man” (John Stott). In what areas of your life are you most tempted to substitute yourself for God - taking for yourself his rightful authority, will, or place of honor/worship?
3. How are you encouraged, as you face temptation, by the fact that Jesus was tempted and tried as we are, yet he did not sin? Name some specific ways the suffering of Jesus helps you to fight temptation.
4. How does the suffering of Jesus stir your heart to worship him? Focus on particular attributes and works of Jesus. How does his suffering transform your affections?