

Take It Home

Applying the Preached Word



Words of Comfort: The Sovereign King

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Text: Isaiah 40:12-26

Main Point: We can be comforted by the power of the Gospel, because God is God and His ways are sure.

- There is a direct relationship between our knowledge of God and our ability to experience His comfort.

Key Ideas

Five truths God reveals about himself that are a source of comfort.

1. God is Gloriously Mighty (verse 12).
 - He is stronger and more powerful than we can imagine.
2. God is independently wise (verses 13-14).
 - He knows exactly what we need and he makes no mistakes.
3. God is unapproachably Holy (verse 16).
 - He provided the way for us to draw near through Christ's atoning death.
4. God is incomparably unique (verses 18-20).
 - No one and nothing else can give eternal comfort.
5. God is eternally Sovereign (verses 21-26).
 - He stands outside of time and stands over all of creation as Lord and King.
 - Everything is in subjection to Him.

Fellowship Starters

Treasure - Application to stir our love for Christ

1. Which of the five truths about God has been a source of comfort to you in the past. How so?

Grow - Application to stir our obedience to Christ

2. Which of the five truths do you struggle to believe? What are some ways you could increase your knowledge of God in that specific area?
3. Where are you most often tempted to look for comfort apart from God? What makes it attractive? How does it compare to God's comfort?

Proclaim - Application to stir our witness for Christ

4. How can studying and meditating on the wisdom of God prepare you to share the gospel with people who have questions about why He allows suffering?