# Isaiah 2-4

## Intro: What are you looking forward to at the moment? Why?

Recap: What did we see from Isaiah 1 concerning:

* Our nature/position before God
* Our hope of restoration by God

## Listen: Read Isaiah 2:1-5

1. What picture of the future is God presenting to Isaiah?
2. Why will God’s presence be on a high mountain?
3. Who is gathered in?
4. What will happen to us as nations?
5. Who gets the glory?

Group work: Half of the group look at 2:6-22 and the other 3:1-4:1. Discuss these questions and then feedback to the whole group

1. In this section, what are the current religious and social situations God’s people are in?
2. How are they a far cry from v1-5?
3. Who gets the glory in these verses? Why?
4. Can you spot any similar imagery to chapter 1?

Back together: read Isaiah 4:2-6

1. What will God do to establish his own glory?
2. What is the hope of the nations?
3. Who is the righteous branch? What will he do?
4. How is v2-6 a glimpse of the climax of the whole story of the Bible? (See Rev 21-22)

## Make it real

1. Who gets the glory in our land? Why? Is your answer similar to 2:6-4:1?
2. What results from God not getting the glory he deserves? How do we turn good things into God things (and give glory to anything but God)?
3. What is the hope we need?
4. How can we speak of Christ into a polytheistic nation disguised as an atheistic one? In other words, if we as humans give glory to ourselves/idols, but live in a culture that denies God exists, how can we share our gospel hope?

## Prayer ideas

* Praise God that he will ensure he gets the glory he deserves
* Repent of the times where we have given glory to ourselves and not to him.
* Identify the sorts of things that gain your trust, love and security. Pray for God’s help to see what they are, and for his help to give glory to him.
* Pray for our nation to have blind eyes opened. Particularly in this election season, where glory will be sought/assigned in all sorts of places.
* Share prayer points with one another.

*To God be the glory, great things he has done. So loved he the world that he gave us his son. Who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate, that all may go in.*