

Wake Up

Scripture: Matthew 3, Isaiah 40

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Icebreaker— If you found out Jesus was returning tomorrow, would you adjust anything in your life?

Read Matthew 3 & Isaiah 40

Full Guide

Let's Study

Matthew 3:1-3

1. What does ***metanoēō*** mean? Why does John call the people to metanoēō?
2. Pastor Brett shared 5 things Isaiah 40 calls us to re-shape our thinking on. What were they and which one speaks to you the most right now?

Isaiah 40:1-8

3. Why would Isaiah 40 be a source of comfort to the people of ancient Israel?
4. How does the anticipation and hope of Christ's glorious return comfort you?
5. In light of Isa 40:6, how should we value and treat the word of God?

Let's Apply

Matthew 3:6-9

6. How did the public respond to the preaching of John? v.6. How should we respond to the message of Jesus' return?
7. Why did John reserve harsh warnings for the Pharisees and religious establishment of his day?
8. In what areas do we need to repent and reorient our thinking so that we can bear fruit and bring glory to Jesus?

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Let's Pray

*Isaiah 40 is packed with warnings, encouragement and hope of God's love and power. Reflect on these **5 things**, discuss, and not only pray, but speak God's encouragement over each other as you close your time together.*

1. Life is short. Make it count! (Isaiah 40:6-8)
2. God has come to rescue you! (Isaiah 40:9-11)
3. Stop fighting God, playing games, thinking you know better! (Isaiah 40:12-14)
4. You have made God too small in your eyes! (Isaiah 40:18-26)
5. God wants to renew you! (Isaiah 40:28-31)