

May 21, 2023

Isaiah 55:1–5 | "Come to the Waters"

Do you know what it is that you want? Are you seeking in all the wrong places for all the wrong things? Our own efforts might meet the basest of our needs but only the Lord can fill our deepest desires. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

May 28, 2023

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 | "Gathering the Exiles"

Is the God of Israel the God of the Jews only? Are the nations excluded from God's covenant? Is Jesus's death and resurrection only for some or for all? The creator God's desire is that all might be saved, none might be lost. To that end he is reaching out through us saying "Be reconciled to God!"

June 4, 2023

Genesis 11:1–9; Isaiah 51:1–6; Acts 2:1–12; Revelation 21:22–27 | "Intercultural Missions"

The God of Israel is the God who always says, "Go! I send you!" Even as exiles, the children of Israel knew themselves to be messengers, a people called to be conduits for justice and mercy, no matter the culture or context they found themselves in. Scripture reveals an overarching narrative in which all nations, tribes and tongues (ultimately) find themselves to be united, as a new creation, and yet never the same.

June 11, 2023

Isaiah 5:1-7 | "Love Song"

We're all familiar with love songs today. And, we are familiar with songs of love lost or broken. But those too are love songs. Those are songs of love gone wrong; love unfulfilled. God knows that feeling too and he sings about it. Yet there is a difference between our love and his. Ours must move on to another if it can. While His love faithfully remains and remakes the object of his love.

June 18, 2023

Isaiah 25:1–9 | "Undoing Death"

What is hope? A clear vision of a better future. Why is hope important? Without it we would despair and not move forward. God, out of his love for us, gives to us a vision of our future that is so beautiful that it sustains us to continue on in faithful love to him.

June 25, 2023

Isaiah 45:1–7 | "Faithfulness"

God cannot be stopped in his good purposes for his whole creation. The mystery of the gospel is that God uses our own rejection and death as the means of our redemption and salvation. God is faithful and he uses our unfaithfulness to make us faithful. It's incredible!