

TASTE & SEE: WK 4 HANDOUT

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP

- When you think of power in general, what comes to mind?
- Who do you associate as being powerful? Why?
- When you think of God's power in particular, what comes to mind?
- Name a time when you saw God's power on display.

MAGNIFY NARRATIVE CONFESSION OF FAITH: "GOD"

"We believe in one holy, **sovereign** and all-knowing God, who eternally exists in three coequal persons—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Father **directs** and **sustains** all things through his Son and by his Spirit. The Son is the mediator through whom God **creates, governs** and redeems the world. The Spirit **powerfully** accomplishes the works of God, bringing honor to the Son who glorifies the Father. These three persons are the one true God (the Trinity), equal in every perfection, and acting in distinct but harmonious roles in the work of **creation** and redemption."

QUESTIONS:

- "God is sovereign" is another way of saying "God is king." Is there anything that limits God's rule? Is there anyone or anything that can stop Him?
- How has God directed your life for good? Are there times when these good things did not make sense to you?
- How has God's strength been a comfort to you?
- Is there anything about God's power that you struggle to accept or appreciate?
- What do we lose when we forget God's power?

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READ: Isaiah 40:9–31

QUESTIONS

- 1) What is the first thing God does with His strength here? (v11)
- 2) How does God's power relate to His wisdom and knowledge? (v12–14)
- 3) What are some of the things we usually think of as great? How do they compare to God's greatness? (v15–17)
- 4) What are some of the signs of God's power listed here? (v21–26)
- 5) How does God use His strength? (v29–31)
- 6) Read verse 28 aloud again and meditate on it. What does this verse tell you about things you are going through in life right now?

CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK:

Memorize Isaiah 40:28 (or at least write it down and put it somewhere you can see each day).

Pray for at least one of the guys in your group each day over the things he shared relating to this verse in his life.