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## Scriptures, Questions, & Assignment

1. What did you learn from your study of Isaiah 8:19-20, 1 Corinthians 12:27-31, and 1 Corinthians 13 this past week?
2. What have you personally experienced that strengthens your conviction that the Bible is inspired by God?

**Acts 2:17-18 (NLT):** *“In the last days, God says, ‘I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servants – men and women alike – and they will prophesy.”* (Acts 2:17-18, NLT – quoting Joel 2:28-30)

**Isaiah 8:19-20 (NLT):** *“... False messiahs and false prophets will rise up and perform great signs and wonders so as to deceive, if possible, even God’s chosen ones. See, I have warned you about this ahead of time.”* (Isaiah 8:19-20, NLT)

**Isaiah 8:19-20 (NLT):** *Someone may say to you, “Let’s ask the mediums and those who consult the spirits of the dead. With their whisperings and mutterings, they will tell us what to do.” But shouldn’t people ask God for guidance? Should the living seek guidance from the dead? Look to God’s instructions and teachings! People who contradict his word are completely in the dark.* (Isaiah 8:19-20, NLT)

**2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT):** *You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is*

*inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, NLT)*

### 3. What is your favorite prophetic passage? Why?

**Isaiah 1:10-20 (NLT):** *“What makes you think I want all your sacrifices?” says the LORD. “I am sick of your burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fattened cattle. I get no pleasure from the blood of bulls and lambs and goats ...*

*... Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows.*

*“Come now, let’s settle this,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool. If you will only obey me you will have plenty to eat. But if you turn away and refuse to listen, you will be devoured by the sword of your enemies. I, the LORD, have spoken!” (Isaiah 1:10-20, NLT)*

**Ezekiel 33:10-20 (NLT):** *“I take no pleasure in the death of wicked people. I only want them to turn from their wicked ways so they can live. Turn! Turn from your wickedness, O people of Israel! Why should you die?” (Ezekiel 33:10-20, NLT)*

**Isaiah 1:18-20 (CSB):** *“Come, let’s settle this,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are crimson red, they will be like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good things of the land. But if you refuse and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword.” (Isaiah 1:18-20, CSB)*

**Romans 6:20-23 (NLT):** *The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:20-23, NLT)*

## Assignment

Spend a bit of time this week considering the prophetic passage, **Isaiah 43**.

- This week, read **Isaiah 43** through several times – try reading it in several different translations.
- What do you find comforting in this passage?
- Is there anything about this passage that makes you uncomfortable? Why do you think that is?
- What promises do you see in this passage?
- What does this passage tell you about God?
- What is the most important message you see?
- How will what you have learned affect the way you live your life? Why?