Sermon: Rejoicing In Our Salvation. **Scripture:** Isaiah 52:7-15.

Series: Palm Sunday. Date: April 10, 2022

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about God?

- a) Read through the passage as if you are from Judah in 700 BC. What does Isaiah want his people in Jerusalem to believe about God? Why can they trust God? (Remember, they're not thinking about Jesus)
- b) Re-read 52:14-15. Why would these verses be so surprising/confusing to the original hearers?

2. What does this passage teach us about us?

a) Read v. 11-12 again. This verse connects us to the exodus but also to our priesthood. How do these verses encourage you in your pursuit of holiness?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

- a) Think through together how Jesus fulfills this passage:
 - v.7 How is Jesus the messenger of the good news?
 - v.8 How does this verse point to the deity of Christ?
 - v.10 How does this verse point to the cross?
 - v. 11-12 In what way is Jesus our "Moses" that leads us out of slavery?
 - v. 13 How does this verse point to Jesus' crucifixion and his glorification?
 - v. 14 How does this verse point to the cross?
 - v. 15 How does this verse point to our cleansing from sin?

APPLICATION

- a) Choose one of these application questions to answer:
 - v. 7 Who can you share the good news with this Easter season?
 - v. 7 Where do you need to trust the reign of God more fully?
 - v. 11-12 Where are you using your freedom from sin to love others (see Gal. 5:13) i.e. where are you choosing love over sin?
 - v. 14-15 Where might you be able to sacrificially suffer for others?

FIGHTER VERSES: Isaiah 53:4-6.

PRAYER

- Praise God for his rule and reign and for his kingdom of good news.
- Confess ways that you have held on to unholy things (v.11).
- Thank Jesus for taking our place on the cross and for "sprinkling" us clean by his blood.
- Ask God to grant you the faith and courage to take the good news to the world around you.