

God is Doing a New Thing | Isaiah 43:13-28
Sermon Discussion Questions
4/7/19

1. Has there ever been a time in your life where God has called you to jump? Take a moment as you begin and think back to a time when God called you into something (or out of something) that seemed crazy and totally different than what you would've imagined. What was it and how did you respond?
2. Pastor Tom explained that a main point of the scripture passage this week had to do with God's absolute power and authority. Look back at some of the verses he mentioned and discuss: How do they reflect God's power? Isaiah 43:13, 45:1, 5-7.
3. Pastor Tom talked about how Israel had forgotten what God had done. How is this the case for us as well? Take a moment to reflect on how this might be true in your own walk.
4. God reminds Israel of what he has done, but then tells them to not dwell on the methods of the past. Re-read Isaiah 43:18-19 and discuss what God is encouraging Israel, and us, to do.
5. In our journeys of faith, we all have seasons of great stretching, times when God is calling us out of the familiar into new things. Has anyone in your group gone through that? A new career, change of school, walking away from something that feels *secure* to something less certain? Have a couple of people share what the situation was like, how they felt God speaking and how they responded.
6. God assures his people that he is with them and is doing a new thing, that he is sovereign and all powerful. He reminds them that once he sets his mind on something no one can undo it. What is he calling you to today? What wilderness, difficulty, challenge or uncertainty may be in front of you? As you close, take a moment to encourage each other on the journey. Scripture is meant to strengthen us in difficult times so take a moment and share some favorite Bible verses. Pray for each other and encourage each other.