

## **Sermon Discussion Guide**

August 22, 2021

*Crime and Punishment*

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

### **Responses & Reactions**

- Did anything in this week's message make you uncomfortable? If so, what and why?

### **Digging Deeper**

- Why do you think punishment is so central to normal human notions of justice? What does punishment do for us that is useful?
- *Read 1 Peter 2:21-25.* What does the cross reveal to us about God's definition of justice?

### **Bringing it Home**

- What does/should authentic accountability look like within a Christian community?
- Which of the four steps toward justice when a wrong has been committed is the most challenging for you personally (truth-telling, defining boundaries, making restitution, radical forgiveness)?