

S.O.A.P. Bible Study

S=Scripture: Isaiah 40:9-11

O=Observation: After reading the text carefully, answer the following questions: How often does the phrase “good news” appear? Why is that needed at this point in Israel’s history? Where does the arm of the Lord show up? What does “arm” stand for in reference to God? What emotion or posture of heart is the prophet Isaiah trying to overcome? How is both the strength and the tenderness of God expressed in this passage? What is the main message that is to be proclaimed? Where are they supposed to note God’s action?

A=Application: How is the phrase “Here is your God” applicable to your own life? Where do you see God moving if you have eyes corrected by the lens of God’s Word? Ask God to defeat the fear that can be expressed in skepticism and cynicism in your life.

P=Prayer: Write out a prayer which expresses both gratitude to God for what he has done to show himself (“Here is your God”) and also confess your temptations to skepticism and cynicism.