**THOSE WHO HOPE IN THE LORD**

Isaiah 40:1-31

Key verse 40:31 “but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”

1. What is the situation of God’s people in verses 1-2 and how might the situation of sinful mankind be similar? How did God comfort his people?

2. How was the prophecy in verses 3-5 fulfilled? (Mark 1:3)

3. What do verses 6-8 teach us about who we are before God?

4. Why is God’s coming a good news? (9) In contrast to the picture of God coming in great power, how else did Isaiah portray God? (10-11)

5. In verses 12-26, how did Isaiah contrast the Almighty God to idols and earthly rulers?

6. What promise does God give to those who put their hope in him? What hope do you have in the Lord in the coming year?