

## BIG IDEA

God's delay doesn't mean God's denial.

## WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO KNOW?

Share a story about a time when waiting paid off or when you rushed and things fell apart. What did you learn?

**Read Isaiah 40: 21-31.** How would you paraphrase this passage?

Re-read Isaiah 40:27-31. Can you relate to Israel? Why or why not?

How does this passage apply to us in our times of waiting?

What role does "hope" play in this passage?

## WHAT IS MY INITIAL REACTION?

**Read Hebrews 10:36-39.** What do you think it means to live by faith?

Are you typically an active waiter or a passive waiter? Support your answer?

Do you "shrink back" when waiting on God? How so?

How can taking short cuts hinder maturity?

## WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

**Read Romans 5:1-5.** How is God producing character in you? Are you leaning in or shrinking back?

How can you give hope to those around you that are in a "waiting" season?

What does it look like for you to wait well on God (actively, purposefully)?

How will you practice stillness, faithfulness and hopefulness this week?

