

12

session 12

GOD CALLS

as you go

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

- .01** Share about a time when you were tempted to put on a mask and pretend to be someone you are not.
- .02** How does trusting in Christ free us from pretending to be someone we are not?

family DEVOTION

Consider following up with your student later in the week with the following summary and discussion questions.

summary: ISAIAH 58:1-12

We all put on masks sometimes in life. We do this through the way we use social media—only showing pictures that make it look like our lives are great all of the time. We also put on masks in the way we interact with our friends and family—we say we are ‘good’ when we might actually be upset or hurting. Today we are going to see God, speaking through Isaiah, call out the people of Israel for putting on masks. They were pretending to be religious and spiritual when in reality they were living very selfishly. Following Christ involves taking off our masks and letting who we truly are be seen. It involves turning from selfish living so that we might see and meet the needs of the vulnerable around us.

discussion QUESTIONS

- .01** What is the fast that God chooses (vv. 6-7)? What does that mean?
- .02** What does our willingness to help people in need communicate about us? About our God?

PRAY: Ask God to open your eyes to the hurting and needy around you and send you out to love them and meet their needs.

CENTRAL truth

God calls us to turn from selfish living and to instead serve the vulnerable around us.

LEADER challenge

Challenge your student to use the Daily Devotions provided in their Daily Discipleship Guide to study God’s Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week’s devotions.

DAY 1 ISAIAH 58:1-7

DAY 2 ISAIAH 58:8-12

DAY 3 ISAIAH 59:1-9

DAY 4 MATTHEW 6:1-8

DAY 5 ROMANS 12:1-2