**Sermon Based Small Group: Isaiah 40:27-31**

**[in]complete - “The Marvelous Exchange”**

**Introduction**

* What is the best deal you ever got?

**Reviewing the Teaching**

* Read Isaiah 40
* What is the most comforting part of this passage for you?
* What stood out to you as a potentially significant takeaway in this week’s teaching?
  + Why did it stand out?
  + How does it relate to you in your life situation now?
* If you feel comfortable sharing, what is one of the real struggles you’re facing right now?
  + Read Isaiah 40:27-31; Matt. 11:28-30; 2 Cor. 12:7-10
  + How do these verses speak to your situation **OR**
  + How do these verses speak comfort to us in the midst of our struggles?
* How have you seen God’s limitless power at work in your life?
* What does it look like in practice to exchange our struggles for God’s strength?

**Digging Deeper**

* We hear of this idea of comfort from Isaiah, from Jesus, from Paul, what does that look like in real life and why does it seem so darn elusive?
* If you were to look at your current struggle, what do you think it is that’s *really* bothering you? (For example, not being able to find a job may be the struggle, but is the deeper issue money, trusting God, feeling of worthlessness, stress in marriage - there’s always something behind the scenes)
* If God really is all-present, all-knowing, and all-powerful - what does that mean for our lives?
* What does it mean when John Dickerson writes *“When our limits end, God’s limitless begins”?*
* How is Jesus an example to follow when it comes to surrender?

**Applying it to Life**

* Does anyone have a struggle they feel like talking about?
  + How are they moving forward and taking steps to resolve the issue?
  + How can your group support them?
  + How are they surrendering it to God?

**Prayer**

* Who are you praying for to invite to Church/Alpha/Event
* For hearts of Surrender