

3. The second part of this verse begins with God saying, "I am the Lord." This is a simple statement with many implications attached to it. List some of the implications in this statement, and the significance of this on the people of Isaiah's time, and for us now.

4. It happens according to His timing. Swiftly, but within His timetable! Is there any sense of urgency in your approach to joining the Lord in His work? How do you work out the dichotomy of "urgency and patience" in serving?

5. There is an ultimate grand purpose in everything God undertakes. Do you know His grand purpose? How does this week's passage fit into this? How are you fitting into His purpose? What changes in your attitude, worldview and life must take place in order for you to enter into His grand purpose?

*"The greatest threat to Christmas this year is not consumerism or Santa, but our own overfamiliarity with the most stunning story ever told."*

-- Matt Smethurst

## Pastor Deric Bartlett Sermon Notes

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### Introduction

1. God's typical \_\_\_\_\_ is to start \_\_\_\_\_

2. God's preferred \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_

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3. God's own \_\_\_\_\_ does the \_\_\_\_\_

4. God \_\_\_\_\_ according to His own \_\_\_\_\_

4. God's specified \_\_\_\_\_ is to display His \_\_\_\_\_

Questions

Please read the whole chapter of **Isaiah 60**.

1. To begin, God says through Isaiah that the least shall become a clan. Can you recall such a promise in Scripture? (see Gen 17). What does this say about God and his plans for the world? Where do you see yourself in His plans? In what way are you engaged in His plan?

2. God has all the resources of the world, and beyond, at His disposal. Why would He choose to use people to work out His plan?