



**Suggested Sermon Discussion Questions and Thoughts**  
**Isaiah 33, “Citizenship in Zion”**

1. Isaiah 33:2 asks for God to be gracious each morning. Likewise Psalm 5:3 says that David’s (and the Greater David’s) prayers were prepared each morning. Consider your own prayer life at the beginning of each day. Ask God to give you the joy of purposeful and prepared prayer each morning.

2. Read 33:10. Three times the word “now” is used. God is demonstrating that He is about to act in response to His people’s desperate need. How could this encourage you in times of great despair?

3. Read 33:14-16. These phrases tell of the type of person who is allowed to enter Zion. We know that nobody walks in complete obedience to these laws. Take some time to reflect on how you’ve violated each of these. Now, go and read 33:24 and remember why you will be in Zion!

4. Read 33:20. This speaks of a time when the citizens of Zion will feast and not be threatened by any opponents. All feasting on this side of Heaven comes to an end. Parties end. Celebrations on the weekend must give way to the toil of the workweek. Reflect on a time when you were the most happy and festive in your life. Now, consider what Heaven will be like - a place where joy and feasting never end.

5. 1 John 1:9 says that upon confessing our sin, there is forgiveness available today. Isaiah 33:24 says that we who dwell in Zion will have our sins forgiven. Forgiveness is available now and for all eternity. Consider the ways you’ve broken God’s law this week and remind yourself of the forgiveness you have now and in the future when you confess your sin to God.