

Jesus: Our Forever Father (4/20/25)

Verses: Isaiah 53:10-12

Main Verse: Isaiah 53:10

'Takeaway': Amazingly, the resurrection of Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise to give us new life thru an "everlasting father" (Isaiah 9:6).



Getting Started: Have you ever wanted to start over?

READ: Isaiah 53:10-12 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses:

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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

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