ISAIAH 'The Complaint' Isaiah 40:12-31

The LORD is our only hope

- The complaint (v27)
- The promise (v28-31)

customer service complaints

• The invitation (v31)

The LORD is the only creator

- incomparable greatness (v12)
- incomparable wisdom (v13-14)
- incomparable majesty (v15-17)
- incomparable glory (v18-20)

The LORD is the only ruler

- ruler of history (v21-24)
- ruler of the universe (v25-26)

The LORD is our loving Father (49:14-16)

- close to his heart
- engraved on his hands
- always on his mind

Starter-questions for discussion

- ? what struck you most in today's sermon / passage? What's the main thing you're going to take away?
- ? can you relate to the complaint that 'God has forgotten me?' Have you ever felt like that, or felt tempted to doubt whether he really is loving or in control?
- ? how does the picture of God in this passage compare to and challenge how you tend to think of God?
- ?"How could an infinite, beginningless being always manage our lives in a way that makes sense to us?" How should this truth help us when we don't understand why God has allowed something to happen?
- ? how can we make the connections more between biblical doctrines and daily living, so that we apply truths about God to our everyday situations?