

Thursday Evening Bible Study  
**Series: The Book of Isaiah**

Teaching Summary for Week 133

**Isaiah Chapter 50:4-11**

This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Servant Song of Isaiah.

Isaiah 50:4	The Servant listened and learned
Isaiah 50:5-6	The Servant obediently endured suffering
Isaiah 50:7-9	The Servant confidently depended on God
<b>Isaiah 50:10-11</b>	<b>The Challenge to follow the Servant's example</b>

Verse-by-verse

**Verses 10 & 11:** Now the focus turns from the Servant of the Lord to Isaiah's audience. Each individual Israelite must decide for himself whether he will follow the example of the Servant or go his own way.

**Verse 10:** Verse 10 describes a person who fears the Lord and obeys the voice of His Servant. He follows the example of the Servant in verses 4-9.

**Verse 11:** Unfortunately, many refuse to listen to the Lord, refuse to obey Him, and refuse to trust in Him. They decide to take matters into their own hands. These people kindle their own fire.

## Application:

1. The people in verse 10 are believers. How do we know?
2. The people in verse 11 are unbelievers. How do we know?
3. Both verses (10 and 11) mention light. What does light represent in the book of Isaiah? See **Isaiah 2:5-11; 42:6-7; 49:6; 51:4-5; 59:9; and 60:1-3,19.**
4. In **Isaiah 2:5-11** and **5:20-24**, what things are the opposite of the light?

5. Go back to **Isaiah 50:10-11**. In light of our study of light in the book of Isaiah, what does he mean by “kindle a fire”? What does it mean to “walk in the light of your fire”?

Let’s apply what we have learned to men and women today.

6. What does the New Testament say about the light? See **John 1:1-5; 8:12; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6**.

The Jews faced a life and death choice in Isaiah 50:10-11. Men and women today face the same choice. One choice leads to salvation. The other choice ultimately leads to torment under God’s wrath.

7. What choice leads to salvation? See **Galatians 2:16; Ephesians 2:8-9; Romans 3:21-30; 4:1-8; Romans 9:30-10:4; Philippians 3:9**.

The other choice is akin to walking by the light of your own fire.

8. How do the above scriptures characterize that choice?

9. This choice takes many forms. What are some of them? For help, refer to **Luke 18:9-14; John 5:44; Romans 1:18-23; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; Colossians 2:8, 16-23; 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10; 2 Timothy 3:1-5.**