

## **Bible chat week starting 8th May 2022**

Read Isaiah 42: 1 - 9.

1. The ancient Jews will have had their own way of interpreting this passage, but as Christians we sense that it provides an arresting description of the nature of Jesus' ministry. As you look through this description, try to suggest incidents from Jesus' life, death and teaching that might fit well with its key ideas.
2. Which parts of the description are yet to be fulfilled?
3. Contrast this description of God's servant with typical worldly leaders today. If you were to send one part of it to a prime minister or a president, which part or parts would be key?
4. How does the passage inspire us as a small church community in our own mission? Try to suggest aspects of church life that reflect this description. Where are the challenges to us? What might God be saying to us through these words?
5. I (David) have written these few questions without reference to Sandra's sermon. So now, reflect on the points Sandra made that may have inspired, challenged or encouraged you. How can we apply God's message through Sandra into our daily lives?