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## DISCUSSION GUIDE

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### W A R M U P

Jesus had just healed a man on the Sabbath in the synagogue (vv. 9-13). We read in vv. 14 that they plotted to kill Jesus. In Matthew 12:15-21 we see an unexpected response to that threat. How does 2 Timothy 2:23-26 relate to that?

**R E A D** Matt. 12:15-21, Is 42:4, and 2 Timothy 2:23-26

### A S K

- Read Matthew 12:15-17. What was Jesus' response to the plots against His life? Why do you think Jesus warned the people not to tell others about their healings?
- What does Matthew 12:18-21 which is taken from Isaiah 42:1-4 tell us about the Messiah? Did Jesus fulfill all of the prophecies recorded in this section of scripture? If so, how?
- Pastor Jeff stated in his talk, "You can't fully understand Jesus unless you look at Him through the Cross." How does the death and resurrection of Jesus give us better clarity to the life He lived?
- What is the meaning of the words in verses 20 that a "bruised reed he will not break and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out?" How does Is 42:1-4 relate to that verse?
- Pastor Jeff stated that Jesus was not what the Pharisees wanted and/or expected. Therefore, it is easy to look at the Pharisees and see how they missed it. Pastor Jeff then asked this important question of us, "what kind of Jesus are you trying to create?"

### P R A Y

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