## **ALL AGE WORSHIP**

## Looking ahead Looking to Worship

21 January 2023 John 1:1-18	
SECTION	DESCRIPTION
Intro:	<ul> <li>Bible App</li> <li>Who has the bible App on your phone?</li> <li>700 million people have downloaded this app.</li> <li>It is available in many languages so all over the world people can read the bible</li> <li>It has reading plans and study tools all to help us read the Bible.</li> <li>And the Bible App people keep a record of what we are doing</li> <li>With 700 million people looking through their online Bibles there must be a lot of searches throughout a year!</li> <li>They know when you read, how much you read, and what you read about!</li> </ul>
Hook:	<ul> <li>So can you guess what the most searched theme was in 2023?</li> <li>HOPE</li> <li>And what about the most searched Bible verse for 2023?</li> <li>Isaiah 41:10</li> <li>So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.</li> </ul>
Context:	<ul> <li>So, all the people who were feeling troubled and looking for some comfort and hope found their way to this verse (read again)</li> <li>What an amazing promise our God is giving us here!</li> </ul>
Point 1:	<ul> <li>What we mostly want from God is the plan</li> <li>But think about it, if you knew in January 2023 everything that would happen in the past year would that have given you peace? (NO)</li> <li>But what God is offering to us is even better than the plan</li> <li>He is offering us his hand!</li> <li>That basically says that he wants to be our friend!</li> <li>This does not mean he has not got a plan for your life</li> <li>You were born on purpose and for a purpose.</li> <li>God has a reason for you to be alive and specific things for you to do.</li> <li>But God knows we will not have peace by him giving us the plan, he knows peace comes from giving us His hand.</li> </ul>
Explain:	<ul> <li>Let's read verse 36 again in the New King James Bible: And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!"</li> <li>So when we are looking ahead to the year in front of us let's stand still at this word BEHOLD.</li> <li>To appreciate or to grasp the significance of something.</li> <li>You see I think God is saying to us "I am extending a hand to you in the form of my Son Jesus Christ!"</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>If you are looking for comfort and encouragement = JESUS</li> <li>If you are looking for hope and a future = JESUS</li> <li>Whatever you are looking for = JESUS!</li> <li>So TAKE HOLD of the hand that he is holding out to you.</li> </ul>
Exigesis:	<ul> <li>John explains it to us like this:</li> </ul>
Point :	<ul> <li>Who can tell me what is the first thing an Angel says to a human when it appears to them? (Do not be afraid)</li> <li>Who knows how many times the phrase "Do not fear" is in the Bible? (365 times)</li> </ul>
Explain:	[A detailed explanation or discussion of the first main point, including practical applications and examples]
Illustrati on 01:	[A story, example, or anecdote that helps to illustrate the first main point and make it more tangible and relatable to the audience]
Main Point 02:	[Another primary point or theme that supports the overall message, often derived from the scripture passage]
Explanat ion 02:	[A detailed explanation or discussion of the second main point, including practical applications and examples]
Illustrati on 02:	[A story, example, or anecdote that helps to illustrate the second main point and make it more tangible and relatable to the audience]
Main Point 03:	[A final primary point or theme that supports the overall message, often derived from the scripture passage]
Explanat ion 03:	[A detailed explanation or discussion of the third main point, including practical applications and examples]
Illustrati on 03:	[A story, example, or anecdote that helps to illustrate the third main point and make it more tangible and relatable to the audience]
Conclusi on:	[A summary of the main points and a closing statement that encourages listeners to take action or make changes in their lives based on the message]
Moment of quiet reflection:	
Prayer	