



Inter-European Division - Sabbath School Ministry
Outline for Sabbath School Teachers with ideas for group discussion inspired by the Teachers' Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.

Lesson No. 8: 13 - 19 February 2021

Title: Comfort My People

Pastoral Group Objectives

Offer thanks and show interest in those who have stopped attending church.

Let's Share the Word

Key Texts: Isaiah 40.

Themes to Explore

1. God always wants to comfort His people.
2. The book of Isaiah, presents both political liberation (1-39) and spiritual liberation (chapter 40 onwards).
3. The Messiah brings with Him consolation, liberation, support and revelation from God.

Suggestions for Teaching and Spiritual Objectives:

This chapter presents various themes, one of which is overcoming idolatry and establishing our relationship with God.

Possible Questions for Deeper Study, Sharing and Application:

1. In what does 'prepare a way in the desert for the LORD' consist?
 2. Precisely what acts of consolation and peace, and what promises do we find in Isaiah 40?
 3. What contribution to our personal understanding of God does this chapter offer us?
 4. Where do we start to overcome idolatry? (Both in ourselves and others?)
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Personal Testimony and Church Mission:

Find out more about practical ideas for witnessing about God and overcoming the ever-widening idolatry of today's society – share with the group.