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2. Can you think of examples from Jesus' life where He demonstrated being the fulfillment of Isaiah 42:1-4? Which stand out to you most and why?
3. If you had to boil down the difference between empty religion and the way of Jesus to one idea, what would it be?
4. In what aspect of your relationship with the Holy Spirit do you feel the most need to grow?
5. If you're honest with yourself what do you find to be your typical attitude toward people who don't share your faith? People from different cultural backgrounds? Why do you think God declares that He desires to bring justice to the nations?
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