

**SERIES:** Here is Your God  
**TITLE:** Great and Personal  
**SPEAKER:** Pastor Bob Marvel  
**PASSAGE:** Isaiah 40:1,9,27-31,43:1-2, 53:3;  
Jeremiah 31:3  
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The logo for Small Groups, featuring four puzzle pieces in a 2x2 grid to the left of the text "SMALL GROUPS". The puzzle pieces are white with teal outlines, and the text is white on a teal background.

## MESSAGE TAKEAWAY

God doesn't just know He understands.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- When you were a child, what was one thing your parents did to make you feel better when you got hurt?
- Isaiah 40 tells of the immeasurable awesomeness of the one and only God. How would you explain His infinite greatness to an unbeliever?
- Bob said that, *"God doesn't just know.....he understands."* What is the difference between simply knowing about and actually understanding your circumstances? How can that give you peace during hardships?
- Verse 28 says: *"Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary and his understanding no one can fathom."* Having this assurance from God, why is it so easy for us to doubt him when we experience struggle?
- God's love is everlasting.....He is eternal and infinite! When have you last experienced his undeniable love.....the type of love that only God can provide? How did you know that love could only be from him?
- Isaiah 40:31 states, *"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."* When in a season of struggle, how can we best stay positive and focus on these promises?
- Why would God prize our walking over our soaring and running? How does it make you feel that even Jesus became tired and weary when carrying his cross to Calvary?

**NEXT STEPS** What biblical practices can you do this week to help keep you faithful and most resilient?