

The Ache of Isolation

Discussion Questions

- 1. What three words would you use to describe how the past 20 months have been for you?
- 2. Which area of your life has been impacted most by the pandemic—positively or negatively—your social, emotional, or physical health? Why or why not?
- 3. Joel contends, "Our issues influence our identities." How have the challenges you've faced in the past year and a half shaped how you see yourself now?
- 4. Read Mark 1:40–45. Can you identify with any part of the account of the man with leprosy?
 - Have you been counting the reasons you cannot/should not approach God?
 - Have you reached out to God for healing or help in the past year?
 - Have you seen and experienced God working in your life?
 - Have you been telling everyone you know how God has changed you and met your needs in this season?
- 5. How did you connect or reconnect with the church in this season? Did a friend invite you? Did you see something online that led you to check out the church?
- 6. What steps could you take to stay connected with the church moving into the holiday season and 2022?
 - Could you invite a friend or two to sit with you at a Christmas Eve service?
 - Will you stay connected to your small group or find a new one in January?
 - Will serving on Sundays with Guest Services or another Sunday morning environment help you prioritize your spiritual growth and attending services?

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