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What is one new thing you learned or idea to which you were exposed?

In Isaiah 2:6-4:1, Isaiah talks about arrogance and explains that God will humble arrogant people. On page 95, Oswalt explained that “The theme is not merely arrogance, it is the humiliation that arrogance necessarily brings upon itself. Because Israel and Judah have been seduced by human power and glory and consequently abandoned the creator in whom the only true glory exists.” Reading through the first couple of Chapters of Isaiah and Oswalt's explanation, I learned that humanity is in a cycle. Oswalt breaks down the original meaning and contemporary significance of every section of Isaiah. I found it interesting that the problems remain the same. People have more faith in themselves, and their control, than in God. Therefore, people are motivated by maintaining this control, which sometimes leads to oppressing and marginalizing a group of people.

Arrogance looks different in this post-modern era. Oswalt states on page 100, that people place their values on certain things because of fundamental insecurity. Currently, people put their trust in their financial stability, economy, and government. Furthermore, People's decisions are influenced by social media. Although arrogance and idolatry may look different, the sentiments remain the same.