APRIL 3, 2021 "THE SUFFERING SERVANT" Scripture Focus: Isaiah 53:4-11a

CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT Saturday at 6:00 pm

PREPARINC FOR HIS RETURN

"If you keep yourself pure, you will be a special utensil for honorable use. Your life will be clean, and you will be ready for the Master to use you for every good work."

2 TIMOTHY 2:21 NLT

PASSIONATELY LEADING OTHERS TO CHRIST SHIFTING INTO GEAR TO BE USED BY GOD

First Pentecostal Family Worship Center



ChristOur Living

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,"

1 PETER 1:3 ESV





Jesus bore your iniquity.

KEY WORDS

SUFFERING

SACRIFICE

SERVANT

Icebreaker Question #1

How would you respond to an unbeliever who claims to have no sin?

Icebreaker Question #2

What is the single-most important practice Christians can adopt or improve on to eliminate deceitful speech patterns?

I. THE OVERVIEW (53:1-2)

- A. Facts about Isaiah's message (53:1): Isaiah realizes his Calvary predictions are so amazing that few will believe him.
- B. Facts about Isaiah's Messiah (53:2)
 - 1. His background (53:2a): Jesus grows up like a tender green shoot from a root in dry and sterile ground.
 - 2. His beauty (53:2b): There is nothing striking about his appearance-nothing to attract us to him. Continued...

II. THE ORIGIN (53:4, 10b): Who is responsible for the death of Christ?

- A. The Messiah's foes (53:4): He dies for the sins of those who hate him, namely, all of us!
- B. The Messiah's Father (53:10a): Amazingly, it is God's plan to bruise his own Son!

III. THE ORDEAL (53:3, 5-6, 8-9)

- A. He is belittled in life (53:3): Christ is despised and rejected by Israel's leaders.
- B. He is brutalized in death (53:5-6, 8-9).
 - 1. He endures imprisonment and various unfair trials (53:8): They lead him from prison to trial to death.
 - 2. He is wounded, beaten, and bruised (53:5-6): This happens for our sins.
 - 3. He is buried like a common criminal (53:9): He is put in a rich man's grave.

IV. THE OBEDIENCE (53:7):

As a sheep awaiting shearing, the Messiah silently endures all his sufferings. He is led like a lamb to the slaughter.

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V. THE OUTCOME (53:10b-12)

- A. His death assures spiritual life for countless multitudes (53:10b): They will enjoy a long life and will prosper.
- B. He is raised again and enjoys the fruits of his sacrifice (53:11).
- C. He is honored for his greatness (53:12).

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES

All English Standard Version (ESV) unless otherwise noted

Acts 8:35 ▶1 Peter 2:24 Romans 3:21-29 (NLT) Acts 2:23

Romans 3:25 Ephesians 2:14-17

Revelation 5:13

Matthew 8:17

CONCLUSION

LESSON NUGGET

What was Jesus thinking as He suffered and died?

Isaiah wrote that He would "see His seed." In other words, He would see His offspring, those who would be saved by His selfless act. He was thinking of us. He was thinking of you and me, knowing that He was purchasing our redemption, knowing that we could now spend an eternity with Him.

He saw us and was satisfied.



Write one sentence for something the suffering servant has done for you by shedding His blood on the cross.

FINAL EXERCISE

NEXT WEEK'S LESSON The Faith-In-Action Preacher Ezra 10:1-12 ICEBREAKER QUESTIONS:

 In what ways can you better support a fellow Christian in taking action to repent of sins?

2. What are some common patterns of rationalization?

Thank You for Attending Christian Development

