

Isaiah 52:13 -53:12

¹³ See, my servant will act wisely;^[b]

he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted.

¹⁴ Just as there were many who were appalled at him^[c] –

his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being
and his form marred beyond human likeness –

¹⁵ so he will sprinkle many nations,^[d]

and kings will shut their mouths because of him.

For what they were not told, they will see,

and what they have not heard, they will understand.

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Who has believed our message

and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

² He grew up before him like a tender shoot,

and like a root out of dry ground.

He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him,

nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

³ He was despised and rejected by mankind,

a man of suffering, and familiar with pain.

Like one from whom people hide their faces

he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

⁴ Surely he took up our pain

and bore our suffering,

yet we considered him punished by God,

stricken by him, and afflicted.

⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions,

he was crushed for our iniquities;

the punishment that brought us peace was on him,

and by his wounds we are healed.

⁶ We all, like sheep, have gone astray,

each of us has turned to our own way;

and the LORD has laid on him

the iniquity of us all.

⁷ He was oppressed and afflicted,

yet he did not open his mouth;

he was led like a lamb to the slaughter,
and as a sheep before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By oppression^[a] and judgment he was taken away.

Yet who of his generation protested?

For he was cut off from the land of the living;
for the transgression of my people he was punished.^[b]

⁹He was assigned a grave with the wicked,

and with the rich in his death,
though he had done no violence,
nor was any deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer,

and though the LORD makes^[c] his life an offering for sin,
he will see his offspring and prolong his days,
and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand.

¹¹After he has suffered,

he will see the light of life^[d] and be satisfied;^[e]
by his knowledge^[f] my righteous servant will justify many,
and he will bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will give him a portion among the great,^[g]

and he will divide the spoils with the strong,^[h]
because he poured out his life unto death,
and was numbered with the transgressors.

For he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.