

All About Jesus

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Isaiah 52:13 O/H

Behold, Jesus shall act wisely;
HE shall be high and lifted up,
and shall be exalted.

The Bible is the unfolding revelation of Christ and the redemption of man. This should be always on our lips. In Isaiah, 800 years before the birth of Jesus we have a detailed prophecy about Jesus and the redemption of man. As a heads up based on my own understanding, I have paraphrased in places for clarification. Also, I added Jesus' name where it was clearly talking about the Messiah. Plus, I have used various Bible translations, and some commentary references. However, I am confident that each one of you through your own Bible study of the inerrant Word of God will determine if these things are accurate.

Here we see that Jesus will be high and lifted up and shall be exalted. But before Jesus is exalted, He had to suffer terribly being beaten and then crucified on the Cross as described.

Isaiah 52:14–15

Many were astonished at Jesus—

HIS appearance was so marred and disfigured beyond human recognition that HIS form beyond that of the children of mankind—(however this was necessary) for Jesus to be able to sprinkle many nations (with HIS blood sacrifice.)

Isaiah also tells us that Jesus HE grew up like any other child seemingly without any special attributes.

Isaiah 53:2

Jesus grew up before God the Father like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; Jesus had no form or majesty that we should look at HIM, and no beauty that we should desire HIM.

Even Jesus' ministry did not bring the glory due HIM.

Isaiah 53:2–4

³ Jesus was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces Jesus was despised, and we esteemed HIM not.

⁴ Surely Jesus has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; we (considered) HIM stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

The way this is written, the statement “we (considered) HIM stricken by God” speaks of those looking upon Jesus at the time of the crucifixion. The people present at the crucifixion believed Jesus was receiving HIS appropriate punishment. Even HIS followers that were present like HIS mother did not understand the purpose of HIS crucifixion. **However, the next verse of this this prophecy given 800 years before the event reveals the purpose of Jesus' death.**

Isaiah 53:5 O/H

Jesus was pierced for our transgressions; Jesus was crushed for our iniquities; upon Jesus was the punishment that brought us peace, and (by HIS wounds we are cleansed to be present with God.)

Note the words pierced and crushed! By Jesus' wounds being pierced and crushed, we are now able to boldly approach the living God. This is clarified by the next statement.

Isaiah 53:6 (O/H)

We all like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—everyone—to his own way;
and God the Father has laid on Jesus
the iniquity of us all.

God HIMSELF has laid on Jesus all our sins. **Jesus was stricken by God, not for HIS sins but for our sins. Jesus knew that HE HIMSELF was the solution and voluntarily went to the cross.**

Isaiah 53:7

Jesus was oppressed, and HE was afflicted,
yet HE opened not HIS mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
HE is silent, HE opened not HIS mouth.

Jesus died a very painful death that was prophesied 800 years before the event actually took place.

Isaiah 53:8 (O/H)

Jesus was CUT OFF* out of the land of the living and STRICKEN** for the SINS of MY people.

*** The phrase “cut off” is loaded with meaning which strongly suggests not only a violent, premature death but also the just judgment of God.**

**** “Stricken for the sins of MY people” clearly indicates the substitutional death of Jesus. Jesus died in our place.**

Powerful stand-alone prophecy!

Isaiah 53:10 (O/H)

- #1 It was God the Father's will to crush Jesus;
- #2 God the Father caused Jesus to suffer;
- #3 God the Father made Jesus a guilt offering.
- #4 Jesus shall see HIS offspring.

God did this because HE loves us. #3 Jesus is our Guilt offering.

Guilt offering is from Leviticus 5:16 where 1/5 was added to the sacrifice. Jesus as a guilt offering not only paid for our sins, but also, HE paid 20% more in suffering for our sins. #4 Jesus will reign eternally with those who trust HIM as Savior, HIS offspring.

Isaiah 53:11-12

After Jesus has suffered, HE will see the light of life and be satisfied; God the Father will make many to be accounted righteous, because Jesus shall bear their iniquities. Jesus bore the sin of many and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Summary of Isaiah 52:13 to 53:12:

2 Corinthians 5:21 (O/H)

For our sake **GOD MADE JESUS TO BE SIN** who knew no sin, so that in JESUS we might become the righteousness of God.

Have you truly GRASPED THIS and trusted Jesus as your Savior and that you are forgiven? Pray!

Each believer, are we truly honoring Jesus and without shame proclaim HIS name? Pray!