

Suffering Servant

Jesus the Messiah – Part 5

Life Church St. Louis – January 3, 2021

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Colossians 3:1 (ESV) If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Philippians 4:8 (ESV) Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Matthew 6:33 (ESV) But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

1. Jesus, the exalted King was _____

Isaiah 52:13 (ESV) Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted.

Isaiah 52:14 (ESV) As many were astonished at you— his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—

Isaiah 52:15 (ESV) so shall he sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand.

Isaiah 53:2 (ESV) For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

Isaiah 53:3 (ESV) He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

2. Jesus _____ for you

Isaiah 53:4 (ESV) Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

Isaiah 53:5 (ESV) But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:6 (ESV) All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned— every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:7 (ESV) He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

Isaiah 53:9 (ESV) And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

3. Jesus' suffering provides _____

Isaiah 53:10 (ESV) Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Isaiah 53:11 (ESV) Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:12 (ESV) Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Hebrews 12:2 (ESV) looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Action Plan for This Week

Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Read Isaiah 52-53)
 Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

Invite a friend to attend the service next week.

How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. What does it mean to “seek the things that are above” in the New Year (Colossians 3:1)?

Intro. How can following Philippians 4:8 help you to discipline your thought life in the New Year?

Intro. Why are God's promises of provision linked to seeking God Kingdom and righteousness first (Matthew 6:33)?

Intro. In what ways can the above verses help you prioritize your life this year by focusing on Jesus?

1A. Why was it so hard for the Jews of Jesus' day to accept that the Messiah would suffer (Isaiah 52:13-14)?

1B. How does Jesus' suffering and death affect the nations (Isaiah 52:15)?

1C. Why was Jesus despised and rejected in His life (Isaiah 53:2-3)?

1D. In what ways must we as believers follow Jesus in His suffering, rejection and grief?

2A. How did Jesus' suffering and death provide healing (Isaiah 53:4, Matthew 8:17)?

2B. How did Jesus' death provide peace for those who accept Him according to Isaiah 53:5-6?

2C. What can we learn from Isaiah's description of the Messiah in Isaiah 53:7, 9)?

2D. How should understanding the great price Jesus paid to forgive our sins impact our lives today?

3A. Why was it God's will to crush Jesus and put Him through anguish (Isaiah 53:10-11)?

3B. How does the intercession of Jesus encourage you (Isaiah 53:12, Hebrews 7:25)?

3C. What was the joy set before Jesus that helped Him to endure the cross (Hebrews 12:2)?

3D. How can understanding that salvation is the greatest gift you'll ever receive change your life?