

Isaiah Series at BFA

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“The Man of Sorrows”

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Isaiah 53:1-6



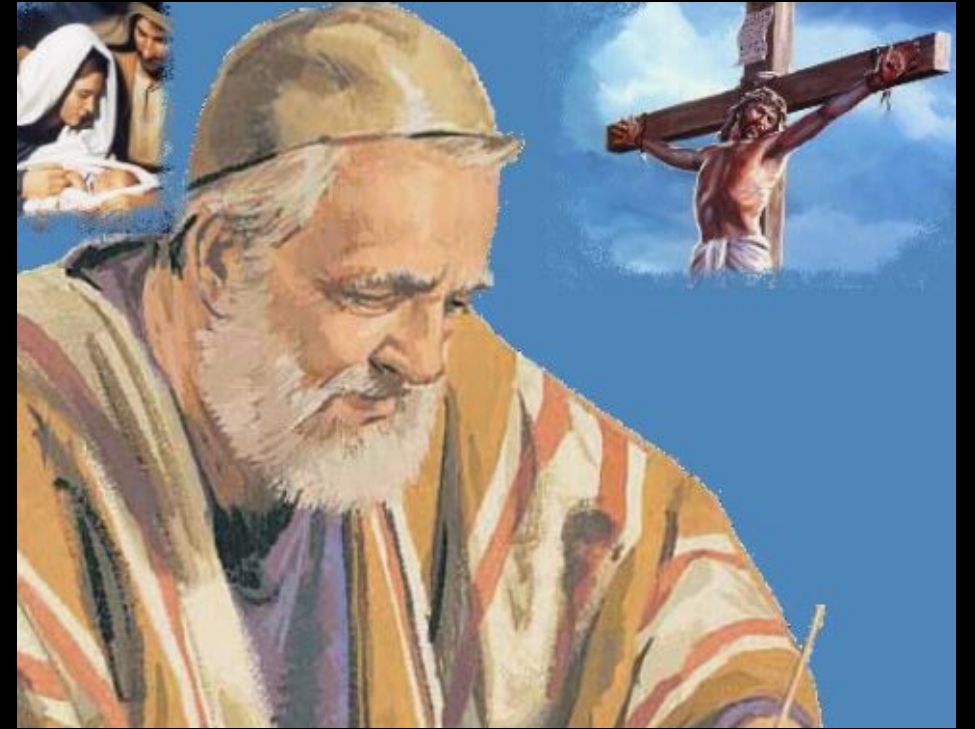


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1 Who has believed our news and to whom has
the arm of Jehovah been shamelessly
uncovered?

Polycarp calls this "the golden passion of the Old Testament evangelist." Delitzsch says "It is the centre of this wonderful book of consolation (ch. 40-66), and is the most central, the deepest, and the loftiest thing that the Old Testament prophecy, outstripping itself, has ever achieved". Urwick—"Here we enter the holy of holies of Old Testament prophecy—that sacred chamber wherein are pictured and foretold the sufferings of Christ and the glory which should follow".



III. Salvation (poetry)-40—66 (27 chapters- the N.T. Of Isaiah)

A. Comfort of Jehovah comes His Servant, -40—48

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1. Redeemer of the world God's Servant-49:1—52:12

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Man of Sorrows
Geertgen tot Sint Jans
(1485–95)

Jews for Judaism website- said the following-

The use of ISAIAH 53, aka "the suffering servant" chapter has been consistently misquoted by missionaries trying to claim that the prophet Isaiah is speaking of Jesus and fulfills the prophecies that "he would suffer for our sins." They often site the fact that "the servant" is singular and must therefore be talking about a single individual - Jesus. Though a thorough analysis can not be given in this limited space, we will explore some important points.

First, one must read the entire book of Isaiah in context and from an accurate Jewish translation (such as an Artscroll/ Mesorah Publication Bible). It was written by Isaiah who was a prophet from 619-533 B.C.E. In the original text there were no chapters and breaks. The book was written in fluid format and therefore, must be read as a whole. When doing so, you will note that this chapter, which is known as the "Fourth Servant Song" actually begins in chapter 52 verse 13.

Isaiah 52:13-15-

- ¹³Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.
- ¹⁴Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men;
- ¹⁵So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, and what they had not heard they shall consider.

Part 1- The Man of Sorrows- (v. 1-6)

1 Who has believed our news and to whom has the arm of Jehovah been shamelessly uncovered? 2 For He shall grow up before His *Father's* face as a branch severed yet now sprouting. As a root out of desert earth He has no handsome appearance or glory. When we look at Him, there is nothing we would see that we would find delightful. 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of sorrows and one knowing grief. *We turned* and hid our faces away from Him. He was despised, and we did not value Him. 4 Surely He was lifted up and carried our diseases, and carried our pain. We ourselves accounted Him struck, stricken by the Tri-Une God, and humbled. 5 He bore our transgressions. He was bruised for our rebellion. The punishment for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed. 6 The entire flock of sheep wandered away lost. We have turned, each one of us, to his own paths. The LORD laid on Him the sin of the whole world.

Part 2-The Lamb of God (v. 7-9)

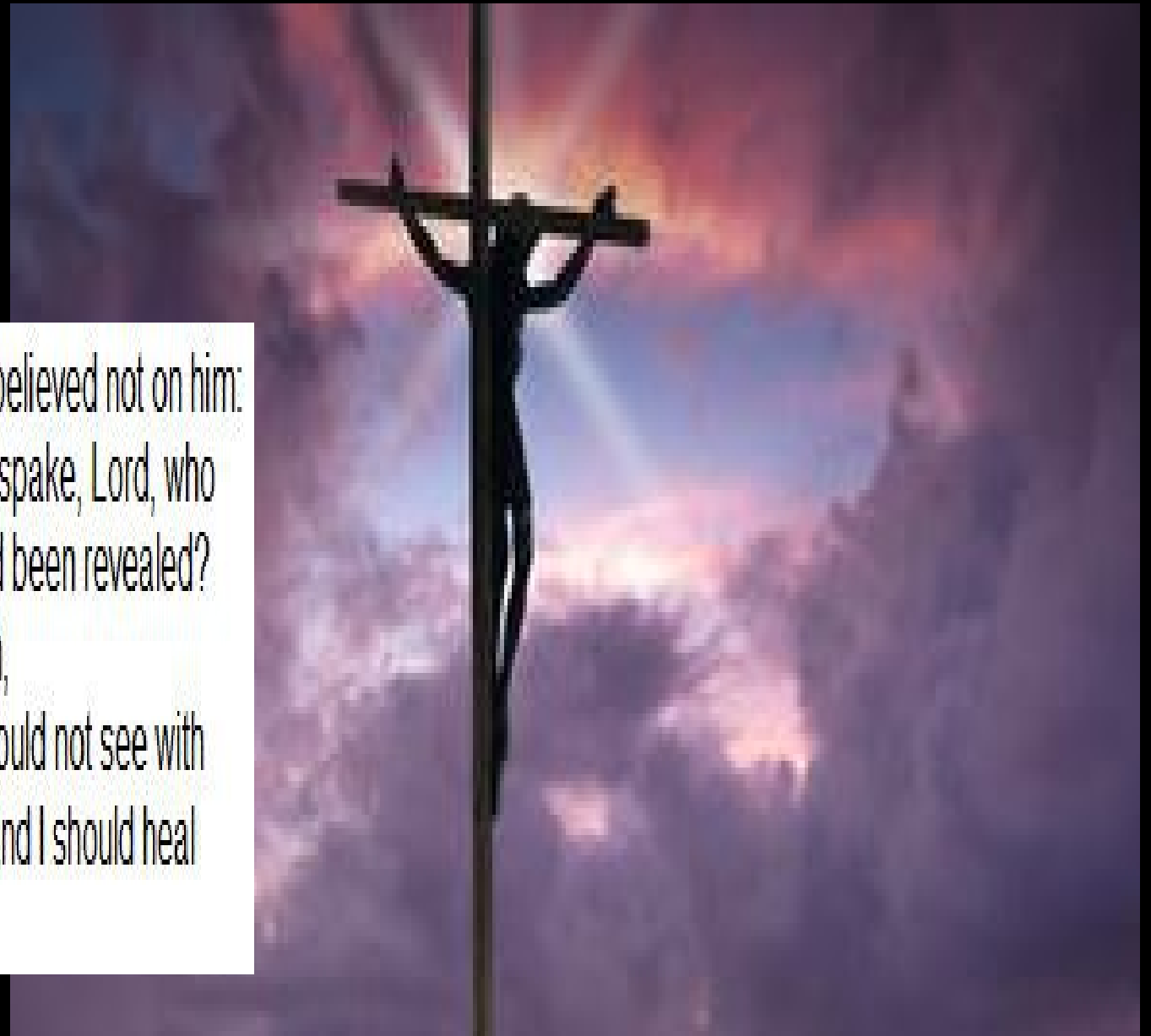
7 He was driven and He was afflicted yet He did not open His mouth. He was presented as a lamb to be butchered. As a sheep before the faces of its shearers is tied fast and silent, so He did not open His mouth. 8 He was led out of prison and from out of the courts of judgment. Who will ponder upon His generation? For He was cut off from the land of those alive. It was for the sins and rebellion of My people *that* He was stricken. 9 He was given a sepulchre near the wicked yet near the rich nobility as well in His death. He had done nothing wrong; nor was there any deception found coming from His mouth.

Part 3- The Righteous Saviour

10 Yet Jehovah was pleased to crush Him. He has put Him to affliction. When You make His soul an offering for sin, then shall you see his fruit. He (*Jehovah*) shall lengthen His day. And the delight of Jehovah shall prosper from His hand. 11 He shall see the labor of His soul, and shall be satisfied. By knowledge of Him, My righteous Servant shall justify an abundance *of peoples*. He shall carry all their sins. 12 Therefore I will distribute to Him in abundance. He shall redistribute blessing in abundance and without number because He emptied out His soul all the way to death. He was numbered with rebels. He carried the sin and its penalty of the many and has made intercession for these rebels.

That Isaiah 53 goes so infinitely beyond anything of which a mere man was ever capable, that it can only refer to the unique Man—the God-Man—Christ. It is, moreover, applied directly to Christ by the scriptures themselves (often the 12) in Mat 8:17; Mar 15:28; Luk 22:37; Joh 12:37, Joh 12:38; Act 8:32, Act 8:33; and 1Pe 2:24,25. I just love the way John uses Isaiah 53, and Is 6!

37 But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:
38 That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who
hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?
39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again,
40 He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with
their eyes, nor understand with *their* heart, and be converted, and I should heal
them.



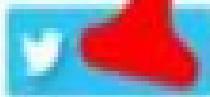
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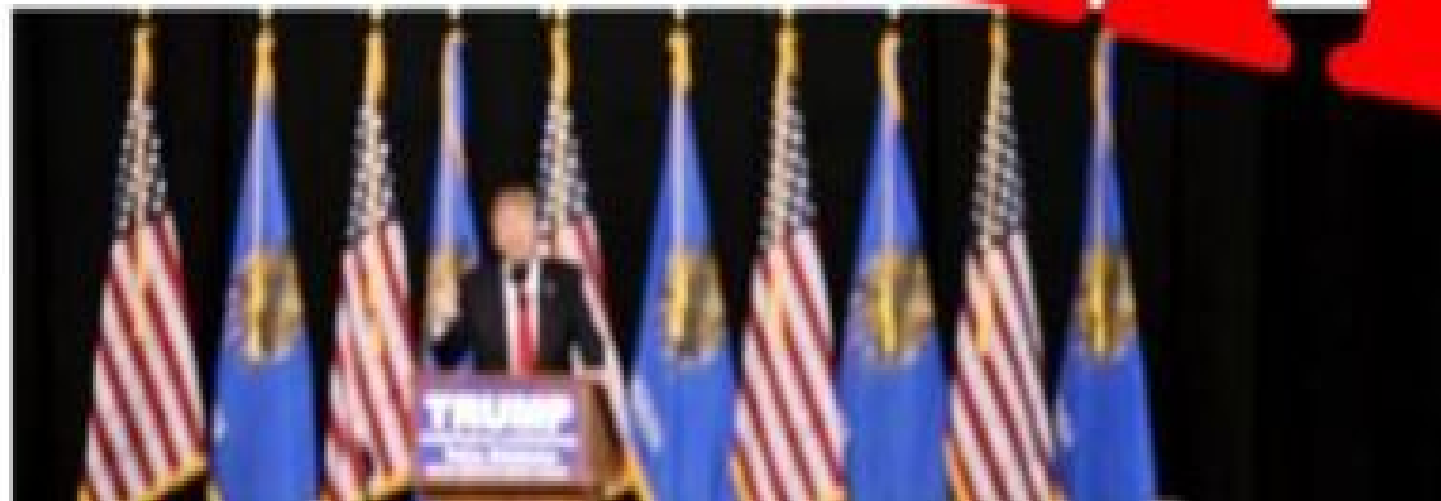
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But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. For "who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?" But we have the mind of Christ. 1 Cor. 2:14-16



2 For He shall grow up before His *Father's* face as a branch severed yet now sprouting.



Isaiah 4:2 In that day the **BRANCH** of the **LORD** shall be beautiful and glorious; And the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and appealing For those of Israel who have escaped.

Isaiah 11:1 There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a **BRANCH** shall grow out of his roots.

Isaiah 60:21 Also your people shall all be righteous. They shall inherit the land forever- The **BRANCH** of My planting; the work of My hands that I may be glorified.

Jeremiah 23:5 " Behold, the days are coming," says the **LORD**, " That I will raise to David a **BRANCH** of righteousness; a King shall reign, prosper, execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.

Jeremiah 33:¹⁵ ' In those days and at that time I will cause to grow up to David A BRANCH of righteousness. He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.

Zechariah 3:⁸ ' Hear, O Joshua, the high priest, You and your companions who sit before you, For they are a wondrous sign. For behold, I am bringing forth My Servant the BRANCH.

Zechariah 6:¹² Then speak to him, saying, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, saying: " Behold, the Man whose name is the BRANCH! From His place He shall branch out and He shall build the temple of the LORD.



John 15:⁴ Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. ⁵ "I am the vine, you are the branches He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

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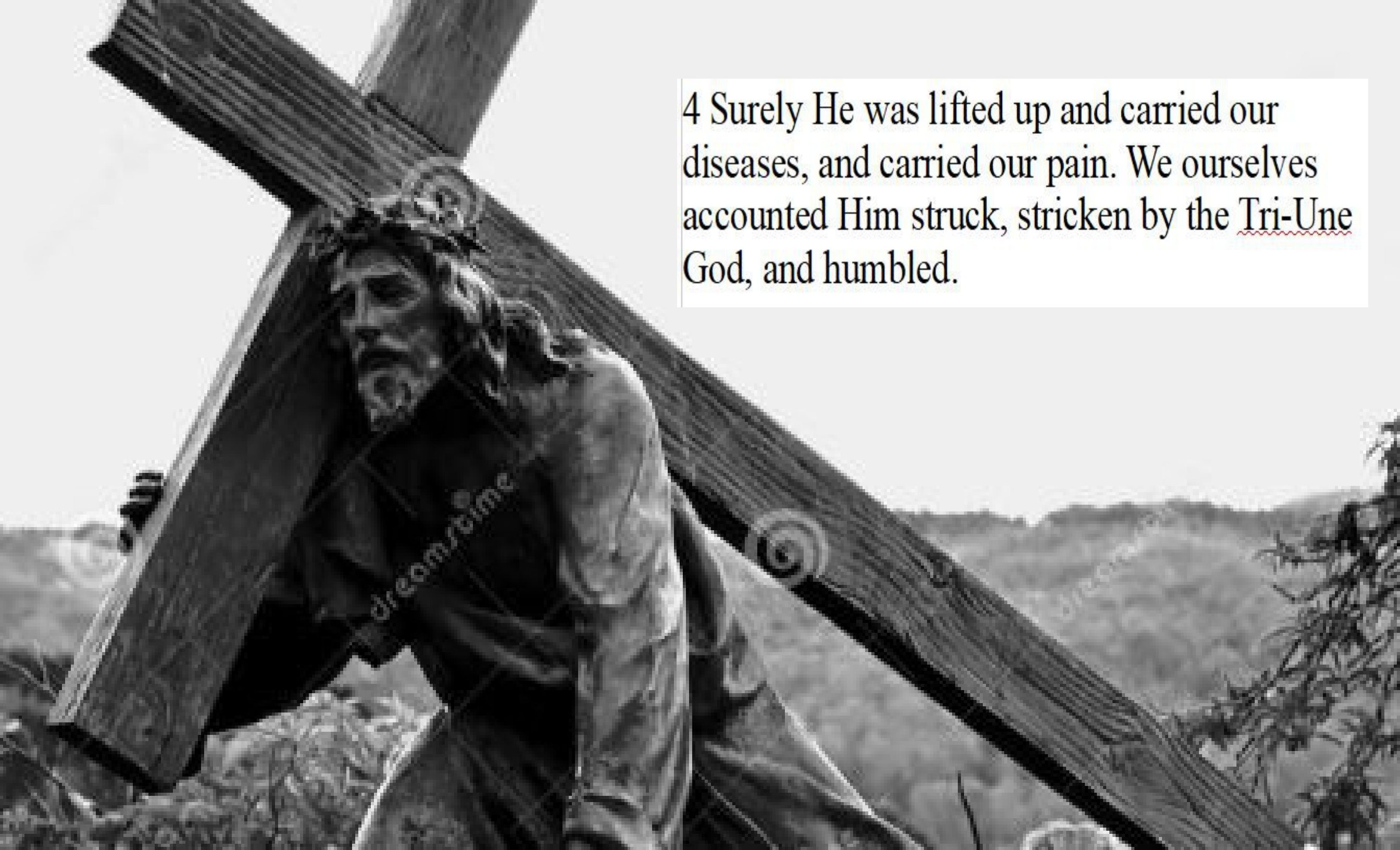


Surely he hath borne our griefs; or, surely they were our griefs which he bore. The pronouns are emphatic. Having set forth at length the fact of the Servant's humiliation (Isa_53:2, Isa_53:3), the prophet hastens to declare the reason of it. Twelve times over within the space of nine verses he asserts, with the most emphatic reiteration, that all the Servant's sufferings were vicarious, borne for him, to save him from the consequences of his sins, to enable him to escape punishment. The doctrine thus taught in the Old Testament is set forth! with equal distinctness in the New (Mat_20:28; Joh_11:50-52; Rom_3:25; Rom_5:6-8; Rom_8:3; 2Co_5:18-21; 2Co_8:9; Gal_3:13; Eph_1:7; 1Pe_2:24, etc.), and forms the hope, the trust, and the consolation of Christians. and carried our sorrows.

3 He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of sorrows and one knowing grief. We *turned* and hid our faces away from Him. He was despised, and we did not value Him.

Psalms 22:⁶ But I am a worm, and no man; A reproach of men, and **despised** by the people. ²⁴ For He has not **despised** nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Nor has He hidden His face from Him; But when He cried to Him, He heard.






4 Surely He was lifted up and carried our diseases, and carried our pain. We ourselves accounted Him struck, stricken by the Tri-Una God, and humbled.

5 He bore our transgressions. He was bruised for our rebellion. The punishment for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.



1Pe 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead to sins should live unto righteousness, by whose stripes ye were healed.

A religious illustration of Jesus Christ standing in a lush green field, holding a wooden staff in his right hand and a white lamb in his left. He is wearing a white tunic and a red robe. A large flock of white sheep is gathered around him, some looking towards him. The background features rolling green hills, a small stream, and a large tree on the left. The sky is a warm, golden color, suggesting a sunrise or sunset.

6 The entire flock of sheep wandered away lost. We have turned, each one of us, to his own paths. The LORD laid on Him the sin of the whole world.



John 10:10b I have come that they may have life,
and that they may have it more abundantly.

11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd
gives His life for the sheep.