**The Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all**

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 (Key Verse: 53:6)

*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.*

1. How do these verses reflect the suffering and glory of God's servant (52:13-15)? How do they remind us of Messiah, Jesus? (Php2:5-11[[1]](#footnote-1)) What does, "he will sprinkle many nations," suggest about Messiah's redemptive work? (Eze 36:25-27[[2]](#footnote-2))
2. What is "our message," and why is it so hard to believe? (53:1, Jn 12:37-38[[3]](#footnote-3)) How did God reveal his redemptive arm? How do these verses point to Jesus? (2-3, 7-8)
3. What did the suffering Messiah do for sinful and sorrowful mankind (4-5)? How did people respond to his sacrifice (5)? What does it mean to be like sheep who have gone astray (6)? How does he give us healing and peace?
4. What was done to the Lord's Messiah (8-9)? Why did these things happen to him? What does it mean that the will of the Lord will prosper in his hands (10b)? What would come after suffering (11)? What does it all mean for us and the world?
5. How did Jesus fulfill God's purpose (10-12)? How was prophecy fulfilled?

1. **Philippians 2:6-8** Who, being in very nature[a] God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; 7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature[b] of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death even death on a cross! [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. **Ezekiel 36:25-27** I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. **26**I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. **27**And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. **John 12:37-38** Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him. 38 This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: “Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? [↑](#footnote-ref-3)