Isaiah 52-53

Robert Harkrider · Isaiah 53 · Series: **Bible Class - Isaiah**

INTRODUCTION

- We say the first part is the Assyrian period, and the last part is the Babylonian period.
- The one true God of heaven knows the end from the beginning and tells even the end from the beginning.
- Had God sold them? No. He said, You sold yourselves. How did they sell theirselves? Through their sin.

1 Awake, Put On Strength, O Zion

Romans 10:15

- Awake, put on strength, O arm of the Lord. It's as though Isaiah's appeal, Lord, come and help us.
- So as Isaiah would say, Awake, O Lord, the Lord replies, I am awake. I'm delivered you in the past, I will deliver you again.
- The words awake, put on, shake, arise, sit down loose, are all commands for Zion to do her part at the time of deliverance from the exile.
- What's the great news for God's people? Yeah, you're in Babylonian captivity, but your God reigns.

2 My Servant Shall Be Exalted, Yet Marred

Romans 15:21

- In other words, the servant being Jesus is going to prosper and be exalted and be extolled.
- So his visage was marred more than any man. And his form more than the sons of men.
- That indeed the servant is going to suffer, isn't he?
- Even men of honor and power will be speechless when they are told for the first time about the sacrifice made for them.

3 Who Has Believed Our Report?

Isaiah 53:1–3; John 12:37–41; Romans 10:16–21

- And in both of those places, it is applied to unbelieving Jews and those who had rejected Jesus as the Messiah.
- Well, who would believe that it would take the death of the Son of God in order to bring about salvation?
- But from his own appearance, he's fragile. He's like a tender twig or suckling that shoots out from the trunk of a tree.
- They had the miracles as proof, but they closed their hearts and their minds.

4 He Was Wounded for Our Transgressions

Isaiah 53:4–6; Isaiah 59:2; 1 Peter 2:24

- And so he took upon him the things that we are ashamed of, and that we are saddened about in our own lives.
- Because he was pure and perfect. He was deity, and yet he took on all of that evil and sin and wickedness.
- So it wasn't just the physical on the cross. There was more to it than just that six hours there.
- So he took the chastisement of our peace. He bore that we might have peace.

5 He Opened Not His Mouth

Isaiah 53:7–9; Acts 8:30–35; Matthew 27:18

- He didn't try to defend himself.
- Philip opened his mouth, beginning at this scripture preached Jesus to him.
- So taken from judgment, really the word is justice. There was no justice in his death, was it?

6 It Pleased the Lord to Bruise Him

Isaiah 53:10–12; Acts 2:23

- It pleased him in the sense that it fulfilled God's purpose.
- It didn't because they were just stronger than God, it was God's determined purpose and plan and his foreknowledge foretold.
- Indeed, he shall see his seed. that is his offspring. A multitude of spiritual descendants.
- He willingly subjected himself that you and I might have salvation.

MY NOTES