

A Christmas Message, sorta...

***Luke 2:12** And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find **the** baby wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.*

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

13. Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

14. As many were astonished at thee; His visage was so marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men:

15. So shall He sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at Him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider.

1. Who hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?

2. For He (Jesus) shall grow up before Him (God) as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

3. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

4. Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

5. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

6. 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.

7. He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He opened not His mouth. (Acts 8:32)

8. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare His generation? For He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was He stricken.

9. And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death; because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

10. Yet it pleased the Lord (God) to bruise Him (Jesus); He hath put him to grief: when you shall make His soul an offering for sin, (2 Corinthians 5:21) He shall see his seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

11. He shall see of the travail of His soul and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities.

12. Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

***John 3:16** For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*