

**THE
MAN
OF SORROWS**

ISAIAH 53:1-4

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1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

2 For he shall grow up before him 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 hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

Introduction

A. Sorrow is a part of life

1. It's reality

Ecclesiastes 2:23

For all his days are sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

2. It's result

Job 17:7

Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all my members are as a shadow.

Introduction

B. Christ came to bear our sorrows

Psalm 69:29

**But I am poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God,
set me up on high.**

Matthew 5:4

**Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be
comforted.**

I. The Sorrow Of Rejection (v 3)

“He is despised and rejected of men”

A. Rejection brings the deepest of sorrows

Psalm 18:4

The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

I. The Sorrow Of Rejection (v 3)

B. He was rejected by His people

John 1:11

He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

C. He was rejected by those in His home area

Matthew 13:57-58

57 And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.

58 And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

I. The Sorrow Of Rejection (v 3)

D. He was rejected by the religious leaders

John 9:24

Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.

I. The Sorrow Of Rejection (v 3)

E. He was rejected by the crowd at the cross

Matthew 27:39-40

39 And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

40 And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

II. The Sorrow Of Grief (v 3)

A. All are acquainted with grief

Psalm 31:9

Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, yea, my soul and my belly.

II. The Sorrow Of Grief (v 3)

B. Our Lord was “acquainted with grief”

1. His tears at the grave of Lazarus

2. His tears for Jerusalem

Luke 19:41-42

And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,

42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.

II. The Sorrow Of Grief (v 3)

C. Christ enters into our grief

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

D. His grace is sufficient for our grief

2 Corinthians 12:9

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

III. The Sorrow Of Loneliness (v 3)

‘We hid as it was our faces from him’

A. He walked this lonely road for you and me

1. He prayed in Gethsemane alone

Luke 22:45-46

45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,

46 And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.

III. The Sorrow Of Loneliness (v 3)

A. He walked the lonely road for you and me – cont'd

2. At His arrest, His disciples left Him alone

Matthew 26:56

But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

III. The Sorrow Of Loneliness (v 3)

A. He walked the lonely road for you and me – cont'd

3. He stood before the high priest alone

Luke 22:63-65

63 And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him.

64 And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophecy, who is it that smote thee?

65 And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.

III. The Sorrow Of Loneliness (v 3)

A. He walked the lonely road for you and me – cont'd

4. He was tried before Pilate alone

5. He was forsaken on the cross alone

Matthew 27:46

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

III. The Sorrow Of Loneliness (v 3)

B. He will never leave us alone

Matthew 28:20

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

John 14:18

I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Hebrews 13:5

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

Christ Has Carried Our Sorrows