BEHOLD MY SERVANT

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Introduction

- A. There are many Messianic passages in the Old Testament
- B. Four Servant Songs in Isaiah
 - 1. Isa. 42:1-9
 - 2. Isa. 49:1-13
 - 3. Isa. 50:4-11
 - 4. Isa. 52:13-53:12
- C. We will consider the 4th Servant Song, the longest consisting of 5 sections of 3 vs. each.
- D. The 4th Servant Song is the most quoted in the NT.

There are three messages we must receive and repeat concerning My Servant.

- I. We must Receive and Repeat the Pronouncement of the Sovereign: Behold My Servant
 - A. The Servant's Projected Position
 - 1. He will prosper
 - 2. He will be
 - a. High
 - b. Lifted up
 - c. Greatly Exalted
 - B. The Servant's Physical Appearance
 - 1. Just as many were astonished at you.
 - 2. So His appearance was marred more than any man.
 - 3. the And His form (was marred) more than the sons of man.
 - C. The Servant's Purpose: Thus, He will sprinkle many nations.
 - D. The Servant's Pre-eminence: Kings will shut their mouths on account of Him.
 - 1. For what they had not been told them, they will see.
 - 2. And what they had not heard they will understand.
- II. We must Receive and Repeat the Proclamation of the Saints (Apostles): Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed
 - A. The Servant's Part
 - 1. The Servant's Situation: Humble Background
 - a. He grew up like a tender shoot, like a root out of parched ground
 - b. He has no form or majesty or appearance to attract attention
 - 2. The Servant's Shunning: rejected by men
 - a. He was despised and forsaken of men
 - b. He was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief
 - c. He was despised
 - d. He was not esteemed
 - e. He was esteemed
 - 1.) Stricken
 - 2.) Smitten of God
 - 3.) Afflicted
 - 3. The Servant's Substitution
 - a. His replacement for our grief/sorrows—He carried/bore
 - b. His retribution for our sins
 - 1.) He was pierced through for our transgressions
 - 2.) He was crushed for our iniquities
 - 3.) He was chastened for our well-being
 - 4.) He was scourged for our healing
 - c. The reasons for His substitution
 - 1.) All of us like sheep have gone astray
 - 2.) Each of us has turned to his own way

- d. The redirection of His substitution: But the Lord caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him
- e. The repression in His substitution
 - 1.) He was oppressed
 - 2.) He was afflicted
- f. The response in His substitution: He did not open His mouth
 - 1.) Like a lamb that is led to slaughter
 - 2.) And like a sheep is silent before it's shearers
- g. The results in His substitution
 - 1.) He was taken away
 - a.) By oppression
 - b.) By judgment
 - c.) His generation considered that He was cut out of the land of living
 - 2.) He was cut off for the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due
 - 3.) His grave was assigned with wicked men
 - 4.) He was with a rich man in His death
 - a.) Because He had done no violence
 - b.) Nor was there any deceit in His mouth
- B. The Sovereign's Participation
 - 1. The Punishment: The Lord was pleased to crush Him putting (Him) to grief
 - a. The Reason: If He would render Himself a guilt offering
 - b. The Results:
 - 1.) He will see His offspring
 - 2.) He will prolong (His) days
 - 3.) The good pleasure of the Lord will prosper in His Hands
 - 2. The Propitiation: He will see (it and) be satisfied
 - a. As the result of the anguish of His soul
 - b. The Righteous One My Servant will justify the many
 - 1.) By His knowledge
 - 2.) As He will bear their iniquities
- III. We must Receive and Repeat the Promise of the Sovereign:
 - A. The Reward given by the Sovereign
 - 1. Therefore I will allot Him a portion with the great
 - 2. and He will divide the booty with the strong
 - B. The Reason given by the Sovereign
 - 1. Because He poured out Himself to death
 - 2. And was numbered with the transgressors
 - 3. Yet He Himself bore the sins of many
 - 4. And (He Himself) interceded for the transgressors