

Jesus: Marred, yet Exalted

Isaiah 52:13-15

Hope for Captives – Isaiah 52

God – through the prophet Isaiah, had promised His people Israel _____ – first _____ through the deliverance from Babylonian captivity (chs. 40-48); then _____ through the redemption from sin (chs. 49-57); then _____ through the rule and reign of the Eternal King (chs. 58-66).

_____, formerly conquered, overrun, and corrupted would be established anew – eternal, unassailable, and _____.

God, who had delivered his people miraculously and majestically from the captivity of the Egyptians (and later the Assyrians) through His servants promises to rescue them again – not with money, but with a _____ gift of _____.

And God Himself – whose name was not honored, whose praise was not rendered, whose commandments were not obeyed, and whose holiness was not revered, will _____ _____!

This is _____! _____ it! _____ it! For soon you shall _____ it!

“Behold My Servant”: The Revelation of the Suffering Son of God

Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. (Acts 8:35)

The Suffering Servant will never be a powerless victim, subject to the ignorant and evil will, intentions, or actions of men. He will be _____, _____, and ultimately _____ . (v. 13a)

All that God _____ will be fulfilled. (Acts 2:23; 1 Cor. 2:7; 2 Tim. 1:9; Titus 1:2; Rev. 13:8b)

_____ is certain. Our _____ is assured.

And in language only ever used about God Himself, the Suffering Servant will be _____! He will be _____. He will _____. He will _____. This is our _____ and _____ hope.

Our Astonishing Salvation

It exacted a _____ cost.

As an act reserved only for those with no rights (so no rights could be deprived) and designed to strip a person of every vestige of dignity and prolong intense suffering, Jesus died horrifically. No one at that moment was asking, “Is this the Servant of the Lord?”. They were asking, “Is this human?”

It enabled a _____ mercy.

Jesus, our great High Priest, interceded for us before the Almighty by _____ as an atoning _____ for our sins! (Hebrews 7:26-27, 9:11-14, 13:10-13)

This saving act was not just for Israel, but for the _____! (Acts 10:34-35; Rom. 10:12)

It ensures a _____ future!

What once was denied will be _____.

He who was once rejected and ridiculed will _____ over all.

The _____ One will be the _____ one! (Rev. 1:7-8)

Why Did Jesus Die?

Why was the _____ Son of God treated so contemptuously? Why did he _____ so egregiously? Why was the perfect man so marred that he no longer even appeared to be _____?

John Stott, *The Cross of Christ*:

From the _____ perspective, it was because Judas gave him up to the priests, who gave him up to Pilate, who gave him up to the soldiers, who crucified him.

But on the _____ level, the Father gave him up, and he gave himself up, to die for us.

Octavius Winslow:

Who delivered up Jesus to die? Not Judas, for money; not Pilate, for fear; not the Jews, for envy; – but the Father, for love!