
Matthew 26:56 But this has all taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Matthew 27:46 About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"--which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Psalms 34:18 (RSV) The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

The epilogue...

... he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand.

¹¹ After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light [of life] and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:12 Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

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Finding Soul Rest in the Strangest Places— part 3

The Humanity of Jesus

Philippians 2:6-8; Isaiah 53

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The descent God becomes a human being

Philippians 2:6 Who, being in very nature God...

...did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,

⁷ but made himself nothing ...

...taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself ...

...and became obedient to death...

...even death on a cross!

Matthew 27:42 (RSV) "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him.

The Suffering Servant

Isaiah 53:1 *Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?*

² *He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground.*

...He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

³ *He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.*

Isaiah 53:4 *Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted.*

⁵ *But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.*

⁶ *We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

Isaiah 53:7 *He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and*

as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

⁸ *By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken.*

⁹ *He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.*

¹⁰ *Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, ...*

The humanity of Jesus and you

Hebrews 2:18 (RSV) *For because he himself has suffered and been tempted, he is able to help those who are tempted.*

Hebrews 4:15 (RSV) *For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.*

Luke 9:58 *Foxes have holes and birds have nests but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.*

Matthew 26:39 (RSV) *And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt."*
