ישעיהו נג: א מִי הֵאֵמִין לִשְׁמִעְתֵנוּ ; וּזָרוֹעַ יָהוָה עַל-מִי נְגָלַתָּה. ב וַיַּעַל כּיוֹנָק לַפַניו וְכַשֹׁרָשׁ מֵאָרָץ צַיָּה--לא-תֹאַר לוֹ וַלא הַדָּר; וְנָרָאָהוּ וַלֹא-מראה ונחמדהו. ג נבזה וחדל אישים איש מכאבות וידוע חלי; וּכְמַסְתֵּר פָּנִים מִמֶּנוּ נִבְזֶה וִלֹא חֵשַׁבְנָהוּ. ה וָהוּא מִחֹלֵל מִפְּשַׁעֵנוּ מִדְכָּא מַעֲוֹנֹתֵינוּ ; מוּסַר שְׁלוֹמֵנוּ עָלָיו בּחַבָרָתוֹ נְרְפָא-לָנוּ. וּ כֵּלָנוּ כַּצ איש לדרכּו פּנִינוּ ; וַיהוָה הִפְגִישְׁבּוֹ אָת עַוֹן כָּלָנוּ. זּ נְגַשׁ וְהוּא י תּעינוּ נה ולא נח פיו. יפתח-פיו פ זיים מפשע ח מעצרוּנ תּו אֶת-רְשָׁעִים קִבְרוּ וְאֶת-עָשִיר בְּמֹתָיוּ ; עַל לֹא-חָמָס עמי נגע למ עשה ולא מִרְמָה בִּפִיו. י וַיהוֶה חָפֵץ דַּכָּאוֹ הֶחֵלִי--אָם-תָּשִׂים אָשָׁם נַפְשׁוֹ יִרְאָה זֶרַע יַאָרִידְ יַמִים; וְחֵפָּץ יְהוָה בִּיָדוֹ יִצְלַח. יא מֵעַמַל נַפְשׁוֹ יִרְאָה יִשְׂבַע--בִּדַעִתוֹ יַצִדִיק צַדִּיק עַבִדִּי לַרַבִּים; וַעֵוֹנֹתָם הוּא יִסְבּל. **יב** לַכֵן אַחַלֶּק-לוֹ בָרַבִּים וָאֵת-עֵצוּמִים יִחַלֵּק שֵׁלָל תַּחַת אֲשֵׁר הֵעֵרָה לַמָּוֶת נַפִּשׁוֹ ואת-פּשָׁעִים נִמְנָה; וָהוּא חֵטָא-רַבִּים נַשָּׂא וְלַפּשָׁעִים יַפְגָיעַ.

Isaiah 53

(Written by the Jewish Prophet Isaiah, 700 BCE, from the book of Isaiah in the Hebrew Bible)

Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him.³ He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. ⁴Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. 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. ⁷He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.⁸ He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken. ⁹ And they made His grave with the wicked—But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was any deceit in His mouth.¹⁰ Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see *His* seed, He shall prolong *His* days, And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. ¹¹He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

The Hebrew Bible says that man's sin separates him from a perfect and Holy God. Isaiah 59:2: But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have Hidden *His* face from you, so that He will not hear. Ecclesiastes 7:20: For there is not a just man upon earth, that does good, and sins not. Ezekiel 18:4: The soul who sins will die (spiritually).

God requires blood sacrifice for the atonement of sin. Leviticus 17:11: For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul. **Thus we see,** it was God's plan all along for Messiah Yeshua (Jesus) to suffer, die, be buried and resurrected providing salvation for both Jews and Gentiles who accept His final atoning sacrifice for the forgiveness of their sins. **(Psalm 16:10, Isaiah 53). Believe in Messiah Jesus as your Savior and receive God's gift of eternal life. Shalom**