

Who is the Suffering Servant?

Isaiah 53 was written in 700 BC from the book of Isaiah in the Holy Bible.

Isaiah 53: ...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. ⁴ Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But 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. ⁷ He 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. ¹¹ He 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.** **Isaiah 49:6 :** ... I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.' "

The Holy 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 (physically and spiritually).

God requires blood sacrifice for the atonement of sin.

Leviticus 17:11: ... for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.

Thus we see, it was God's plan all along for Jesus Christ to suffer, die, be buried and resurrected providing salvation for all who accept His final atoning sacrifice for the forgiveness of their sins. **(Psalm 16:10, Isaiah 53).**

Believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and receive God's gift of eternal life in Heaven. Blessings