

Isaiah 53 (Complete Jewish Bible)

Who believes our report?

To whom is the arm of ADONAI revealed?

**2 For before him he grew up like a young plant,
like a root out of dry ground.**

**He was not well-formed or especially handsome;
we saw him, but his appearance did not attract us.**

**3 People despised and avoided him,
a man of pains, well acquainted with illness.**

**Like someone from whom people turn their faces,
he was despised; we did not value him.**

**4 In fact, it was our diseases he bore,
our pains from which he suffered;
yet we regarded him as punished,
stricken and afflicted by God.**

**5 But he was wounded because of our crimes,
crushed because of our sins;
the disciplining that makes us whole fell on him,
and by his bruises* we are healed.**

**6 We all, like sheep, went astray;
we turned, each one, to his own way;
yet ADONAI laid on him
the guilt of all of us.**

**7 Though mistreated, he was submissive —
he did not open his mouth.**

**Like a lamb led to be slaughtered,
like a sheep silent before its shearers,
he did not open his mouth.**

**8 After forcible arrest and sentencing,
he was taken away;
and none of his generation protested
his being cut off from the land of the living
for the crimes of my people,
who deserved the punishment themselves.**

**9 He was given a grave among the wicked;
in his death he was with a rich man.**

**Although he had done no violence
and had said nothing deceptive,
10 yet it pleased ADONAI to crush him with illness,
to see if he would present himself as a guilt offering.**

**If he does, he will see his offspring;
and he will prolong his days;
and at his hand ADONAI's desire
will be accomplished.**

11 After this ordeal, he will see satisfaction.

**“By his knowing [pain and sacrifice],
my righteous servant makes many righteous;
it is for their sins that he suffers.**

**12 Therefore I will assign him a share with the great,
he will divide the spoil with the mighty,
for having exposed himself to death
and being counted among the sinners,
while actually bearing the sin of many
and interceding for the offenders.”**

Isaiah 53 (English Standard Version)

Who has believed what he has heard from us?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

**2 For he grew up before him like a young plant,
and like a root out of dry ground;**

**he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,
and no beauty that we should desire him.**

**3 He was despised and rejected by men,
a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces^[f]
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.**

**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 pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds 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;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he opened not his mouth.**

**8 By oppression and judgment he was taken away;
and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people?**

**9 And they made his grave with the wicked
and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.**

**10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.**

**11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see^[i] and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.**

**12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out his soul to death
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and makes intercession for the transgressors.**