

The Gospel Herald

“As the truth is in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:21)

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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“Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him”

Isaiah 53: 10

Dear beloved of God blessed with faith to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ of whom alone hath life and immortality. As I read the Fifty-third chapter of Isaiah, I see an awesome contrast from what the God of the scriptures has admonished his New Covenant Church to perform in the treatment of those in gospel fellowship and mankind in general and what was brought to pass in the treatment of His beloved Son per the prophesy of Isaiah.

We are commanded to not be a striker, brawler, of good behavior, and of good report, longsuffering, gentle, meek, and temperate. And especially peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Being one which has been persuaded that the God of the Holy Writ as being an “Absolute” God in all his ways and predestined purposes, I am convinced that the Almighty can decree, determine, ordain and appoint ALL things which come to pass without the scrutiny from mankind’s infinite mind and reasoning. For He which has declared the end from the beginning of ALL things shall bring to pass ALL things as they have been divinely decreed and determined before time was even known.

If I, as a professing, believing Christian was to treat another brother, with bitterness as a physical brawler, against him in an injurious manner to afflict wounds of great extent, I would be totally acting contrary to New Testament, New Covenant Biblical teaching and would most certainly be the object of divine chastisement and brought before the Church as one deserving of charges of discipline.

Yet, we find our heavenly Father, the Almighty God bringing great physical and spiritual injury and affliction upon his own beloved only begotten Son. We find per the prophet’s declaration that Jesus our Saviour was “smitten of God and afflicted, He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of

our peace was upon Him, as many stripes were laid to his body". The Lord God Almighty hath laid on HIM the iniquity of us ALL. He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Yet, it **PLEASED** the Lord to bruise Him; He had put him to grief: when thou shalt make His soul an offering for sin; God the Father shall see of the travail of His soul, and **"SHALL BE SATISFIED!"**

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ WAS **SATISFIED** as his beloved righteous Son had **JUSTIFIED MANY**. For He shall bear their iniquities. Because he had 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. (as recorded in Isaiah 53).

Oh! beloved heir of grace by the gift of faith, our God and Father was pleased to sacrifice his dearly beloved darling Son by his determined predestined purpose to be the **sin bearer** of all of Gods elect family throughout the ages of time and **justify** the unjust, For without the shedding of BLOOD there is NO remission of sin, but Christ was made our **Passover Lamb** applied his precious blood in the Holy of Holies to cleanse us from ALL unrighteousness. "For HE who knew no sin, became sin for us that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" (II Corin. 5:21).

Oh! how great the redemptive design of the Almighty for unworthy sinners, that he would come clothed in garments of mortal flesh, tempted in every way, yet without sin to be the divine sin bearer for all of Gods elect family. Yea, deity descended from heavens realm encompassed with the angelic host of glory with the Cherubim's and Seraphim's beholding his glory continually without end saying, "Holy, Holy, Holy, the Lord God Almighty". Who reigneth among the heavenly host and over the inhabitants of the earth, that his people would proclaim, "The Lord God omnipotent reigneth." This **SAME** God who has neither beginning nor end, who has created all things which are created from things that were not by Christ Jesus, has become both God and Saviour in the divine revelation gospel truth.

Even though by the wicked and cruel hands of men according to the determinate Counsel of the Father, the God / Man Jesus was crucified upon that wooden cross to **PLEASE THE FATHER AND FULFILL THE DIVINE PURPOSE ACCORDING TO THE GOOD PLEASURE OF HIS WILL.**

May our God and Saviour be forever praised and adored by sinners redeemed by his vicarious and sacrificial atonement which **ONLY COULD ABOLISH THE LAW'S PERFECT DEMANDS AND DECLARE US RIGHTEOUS IN HIS SIGHT.**
To Christ be the glory.

Humbly submitted, DEM