

THE DIVINE CHRIST

(Isaiah 53:1-12)

INTRODUCTION

(Isaiah 53) gives the prophecy of Jesus' crucifixion; and (Acts 8:26-40) reveals its application when Philip explains it to the Ethiopian treasurer.

(Acts 8:35) "Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached to him Jesus"
(v36) "And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?"

Here is Isaiah's prophetic description of Jesus: (Isaiah 53)

1. (v1-2) THE DIVINE SERVANT

Jesus refers to this verse in (John 12:37-44), and His people did not believe on Him.
Apostle Paul references this verse in (Romans 10:16-21).

Jesus came as the promised Messiah and a servant: (Phil. 2:6-7) "the form of a servant"
(Matthew 20:28) "Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many."

2. (v3-4) THE DIVINE SUFFERER

We have read and heard about the torture of crucifixion: (Heb. 12:2) "Look to Jesus ... who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, ... "
(also Luke 18:31-32)

When Jesus was crucified, virtue was not being praised.

3. (v5) THE DIVINE SUBSTITUTE

(Romans 5:6-9) "... Christ died for the ungodly ... while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us ... "

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4. (v7-10) THE DIVINE SACRIFICE

Text: "... he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter ... he had done no violence, neither was deceit found in his mouth ... thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin ... "

The Bible speaks of the sinless Jesus as a sacrificial lamb: (John 1:29; 1 Cor. 5:7; Matt. 26:28; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Heb. 9:22; 1 John 2:2)

5. (v11-12) THE DIVINE SATISFACTION - "... and shall be satisfied ... "

(Psalm 103:10) "He has not dealt with us after our sins nor rewarded us according to our iniquities" Salvation is found in Him.