

Wheelersburg Baptist Church 4/6/2025

Isaiah 53:4-6 “The Servant Who Died as a Substitute”

Series: *In the Shadow of the Cross* (an exposition of Isaiah 53)

I. The Servant took our _____ (4).

A. Here’s how He _____ it.

B. Here’s how we _____.

II. The Servant took our _____ (5).

A. Here’s _____ He did it.

1. He died a _____ death.

2. He died as a _____-bearer.

3. He died as a _____ man.

4. He died as an atoning _____.

B. Here’s _____ He did it.

III. The Servant took our _____ (6).

A. Here’s our fundamental _____.

1. We are like lost _____.

2. We have gone our own _____.

B. Here’s what _____ did about it.

1. God removed our sin from _____.

2. God put our sin on His _____.

Make It Personal: These are the bottom-line options.

1. We can _____ for our own sins.

2. We can _____ the One who died as a substitute.

3. We can be sure there is no other _____.

Community Group Discussion:

1. Today we are continuing our exposition of Isaiah 53 in a series entitled *In the Shadow of the Cross*. Who was Elizabeth Clephane and what was she trying to communicate by using the cross-shadow imagery in her hymn?

2. As a group take time to read all of Isaiah 53. Keep in mind Isaiah penned these words over seven hundred years before Christ came to earth. What effect does this passage have on you personally when you hear it?

3. What did Isaiah say the Servant would experience in verse 4? What response did he predict?

4. According to verse 5, why did Jesus die? What does the term “vicarious” mean?

5. In verse 6, Isaiah says that we are like sheep. How so? What does it mean to say we have “turned to our own way”? What does it mean to say that “the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all”? How do we benefit from the death Jesus died?

6. Next Sunday each family will receive *The Cross Shadow* as a gift from WBC. This tool is intended to help you memorize Scriptures and songs about the cross. Take time to write on separate 3x5 cards the words from Matthew 20:28, Hebrews 10:14, and Galatians 6:14. Also, write the lyrics from the hymns *And Can It Be?* (#203) and *Am I a Soldier of the Cross?* (#482).