

Wheelersburg Baptist Church 3/30/2025

Isaiah 52:13-53:3 “Behold the Servant Who Suffered”

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

I. Behold the _____ of the Servant (52:13-15).

- A. He will act _____ (13a).
- B. He will be _____ (13b).
- C. Before this, however, He will _____ (14).
- D. In so doing, He will _____ the nations (15).

II. Behold the _____ of the Servant (53:1-3).

- A. Here’s what He ____ (1-2).
 - 1. The _____ made himself vulnerable (2a).
 - 2. The _____ One became common (2b).
- B. Here’s what He _____ (3).
 - 1. The world _____ Him.
 - 2. The world _____ Him.
 - 3. The world _____ Him.

Make It Personal: When we place ourselves in the _____ of the cross...

- 1. We behold what our Savior _____.
- 2. We behold what our Savior _____.

Community Group Discussion:

1. Today we are beginning a series which will culminate on Resurrection Sunday April 20. This series, an exposition of Isaiah 53, is entitled *In the Shadow of the Cross*. What is a shadow? Take a few moments and make some shadows with your hands and then discuss the following. What are some characteristics of a shadow? What does the imagery of a shadow have to do with our series?

2. Who was Isaiah (feel free to consult your Bible study helps)? What is Isaiah’s objective in writing the book we call Isaiah? In Isaiah 52:13 the prophet introduces us to a person identified as “my servant”. Where else do we see this term in Isaiah? In the rest of the Bible? Who is this person?

3. What do we learn about the Servant in Isaiah 52:13-15? What honor will be given to Him?

4. What do we learn about the Servant in Isaiah 53:1-3? What humiliation will He experience?

5. Throughout our series we’ll be putting several Scripture texts and songs on cards for use in our devotional times. Take time as a group to write on 3x5 cards the lyrics of our theme song *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* (#183 in our hymnbook). In the third stanza the hymnwriter says, “I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place.” What does this mean? What actions can we take this week to make the cross’s shadow our abiding place?