

Wounded & Bruised For Our Transgressions & Iniquities

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"Who has believed our report? and to whom is the [Arm of the LORD](#) (speaking of Christ Jesus) revealed? For He shall grow up before Him (the Father) as a Tender Plant, and as a Root out of a dry ground. He has no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no (physical) beauty that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected of men; a [Man of Sorrows](#), and [acquainted with grief](#); and we hid as it were our faces from Him; [He was despised](#), and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem Him stricken, [smitten of God](#), and afflicted. **But He Was Wounded For Our Transgressions, and He Was Bruised For Our Iniquities.** The chastisement for our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. We all 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.**" ([Isaiah 53:1-6](#))

He: from the Hebrew word *mehu* which means: he; speaking of Jesus in the sense of only He alone was wounded and bruised for our transgressions and iniquities. Only He alone was the spotless sinless sin-offering sacrificed for our salvation.

Was Wounded: from the Hebrew word *meholal* which means: was-pierced-through; or was-wounded; fulfilled when the hands and feet of Jesus were nailed to the Cross, and His side was pierced after He had died.

Was Bruised: from the Hebrew word *medukka* which means: was crushed; or was-bruised; to crumble; to bruise or scourge (literally or figuratively); to beat to pieces, break (in pieces), bruise, crush, smite. Fulfilled especially in His brutal scourging.

Transgressions: from the Hebrew word *mippesaenu* which means: for-our-transgressions; from *pesha* meaning: a transgression; especially in the sense of rebellion against God and His statutes, laws, etc...; or a breach of trust, as in a failure to act responsibly for that ('talent-in-trust') which God has entrusted to someone. In a sense "transgressions" speaks of all the ways a persons fails to perfectly love God with all of one's heart, soul, mind and strength!

Iniquities: from the Hebrew word *meawonotenu* which means: for-our-iniquities; from *avon* meaning: iniquity, guilt, immoral or grossly unjust and unfair behavior towards others. In context: 'Iniquities' speak of all the ways in which a person fails to perfectly love other people,

It is as Jesus Himself said:

"The first of all the commandments is, 'Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' ([Deut. 6:4-5](#)) This is the first commandment. And the second is similar, namely this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ([Lev. 19:18](#)) There is no other commandment greater than these." ([Mark 12:29-31](#)) "On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." ([Matthew 22:40](#)) (Of which we all miss the mark!)

God speaking through the prophet Isiah continues as follows:

"Yet it pleased the LORD (the Father) **to bruise Him**; He (the LORD) has put Him (Jesus) to grief; when You shall make His soul **a sin-offering**, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied. By His knowledge shall My (the LORD's) Righteous Servant justify many; **for He shall bear their iniquities.** Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; **because He has 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.**" ([Isaiah 53:10-12](#))

Sin: from the Hebrew word *chata* a verb which means: to miss the mark, to do wrong, to sin; to commit a mistake or an error; in context to violate any of the moral standards of God's holiness and perfection: of which we all miss the mark!

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We are called to be Holy as God is Holy:

"Therefore, gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: But as He who has called you is holy, so be you holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, '**Be you Holy; for I am Holy.**' (see [Leviticus 11:44](#)) And if you call on the Father, who without respect of persons judges according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. For in as much as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; **but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a Lamb without blemish and without spot**; who truly was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, who **through Him (Jesus)** do believe in God, who raised Him up from the dead, and gave Him Glory; so that your faith and hope **might be in God.**" ([1 Peter 1:13-21](#))

We are also called to be Perfect as God is Perfect! Please consider these words of Jesus:

"You have heard that it has been said, 'You shall love your neighbor, and hate your enemy.' But I say unto you, 'Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you;' so that you may be the children of your Father who is in Heaven; for He makes His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you (only) love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the publicans (sinners) do the same? And if you salute your brethren only, what do you more than others? Do not even the publicans do so? **Be you therefore Perfect, even as your Father who is in Heaven is Perfect.**" ([Matthew 5:43-48](#))

But our transgressions, iniquities, and sins are apparent in that no human person, except for Jesus, is Perfect and Holy as God is. And no one is or can, by their own efforts or works be sinless as Jesus was and still is. Therefore, each person needs to be saved and redeemed through God the Father's plan of salvation through His Son Jesus! It is as Jesus proclaimed:

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man **be lifted up**; so that whoever **believes in Him** should not perish, but have Eternal Life. For God **so loved the world**, that He gave His only begotten Son, (as a sin-offering) so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world; but **that the world through him might be saved.**" ([John 3:14-17](#))

This was achieved by Christ Jesus being wounded & bruised for our transgressions and iniquities! Please consider the following scriptures:

"But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all those who believe; for there is no difference; **for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God**; being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God has set forth to be a propitiation (sin-offering) through faith in His **blood (His death)**, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God." ([Romans 3:21-25](#))

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man some would even dare to die. But **God commends His Love towards us**, in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us**. Much more then, being now justified in His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, **we shall be saved in His Life**. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation." ([Romans 5:6-11](#))

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Please also consider the following Messianic prophecy concerning Jesus:

"I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of My inward parts. My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and My tongue cleaves to My jaws; and You have brought Me into the dust **of death**. For dogs (enemies) have surrounded Me, and the assembly of the wicked have inclosed Me; and **they pierced My hands and My feet**' (foretelling the crucifixion of Jesus). I can tell all My bones; they look and stare upon Me. They parted My clothes among them, and cast lots for My robe." ([Ps. 22:14-17](#))

And again:

"Then came the soldiers, and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who were crucified with Him (Jesus). But when they came to Jesus, and saw that He was dead already, they did not brake His legs. But one of the soldiers with **a spear pierced His side**, and immediately there came out blood and water. And he who saw it bares record, and his record is true; and he knows that he speaks truthfully, so that you might believe. For these things were done, so that the scripture should be fulfilled, '*Not a bone of Him shall be broken*' ([Ex. 12:46](#)). And again another scripture ([Zec. 12:10](#)) says, '*They shall look on Him whom they pierced.*'" ([John 19:31-37](#))

"For unto this were you called; because **Christ also suffered for us**, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: '*who did no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth.*' ([Isaiah 53:9](#)) Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He did not threatened; but committed Himself to Him (the Father) who judges righteously. And **He Himself bore our sins** in His own body on the Cross, so that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; for **by His stripes (wounds & bruises) you were healed.**" ([1 Peter 2:21-24](#))

Ultimately, our deliverance and forgiveness from our sins, iniquities, and transgressions was accomplished by Christ Jesus on the Cross of Calvary. It is as it happened:

"And so Pilate, ... delivered Jesus, after he **had scourged Him, to be crucified**. And the soldiers led Him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and they ... **struck Him on the head with a reed, and spit upon Him**, And ... **mocked Him**, and led **Him out to crucify Him**. ... And they brought Him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, 'The place of a skull.' And they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink; but He did not received it. And when they had **crucified Him**, they parted His garments, casting lots upon them, for what each man should take." (please see [Mark chapter 15](#) in context)

Jesus Was Wounded & Bruised For Our Transgressions & Iniquities

**For the Joy set before Him, Jesus endured the Cross, and the scourging,
and the wounds and bruises; and the spit and mocking,
and having His hands and feet nailed to the Cross.**

**And more than this our sin upon Jesus resulted in Him being separated
from His Father for the first time in all eternity !!**

In extreme anguish Jesus cried out, 'My God! My God! Why have You Forsaken Me'?

It was because Jesus became our 'sin-offering' for our reconciliation with the Father !!

We must be Holy and Perfect just as God the Father is Holy and Perfect !!

But we, by our own efforts, cannot achieve this – it is impossible !!

But with God, through Jesus it has been made possible for all who believe in Jesus !

Father I thank You for the free gift of Salvation that only comes through faith in Jesus !!

Dear Jesus I thank You for the Holiness and Perfection that I have only in You !!

Truly - All Praise, Honor, Blessings, and Glory be Yours throughout all Eternity - Amen!