Our Suffering Savior

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WE ARE ALL UGLY WITH SIN

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12 Church Bibles, p. 625

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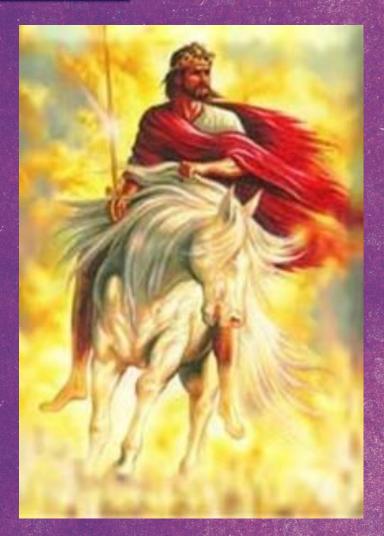
THE CROSS PRECEDES Just as there were many who were <u>appalled</u> at him-- his appearance was so <u>disfigured</u> beyond that of any man and his form <u>marred</u> beyond human likeness (Isaiah 52:14)

He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. (Isaiah 53:2b-3)

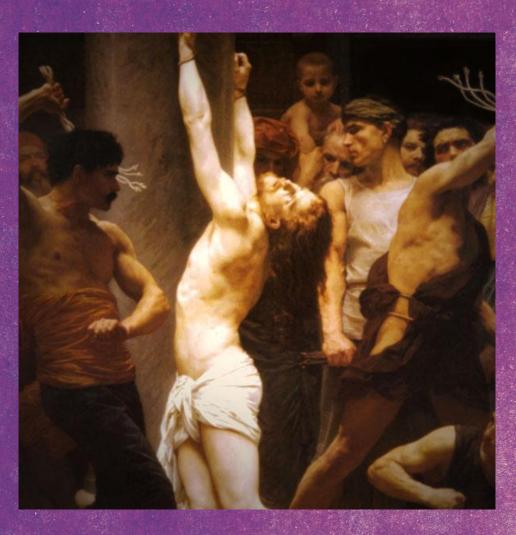
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See, my servant will act wisely; he will be <u>raised</u> and <u>lifted up</u> and <u>highly exalted</u>. (Isaiah 52:13)

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so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. (John 13:4-5)

God Reveals Himself as a Servant (Philippians 2:3-4)

3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

5 In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; 7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death even death on a cross!

- Philippians 2:3-8

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For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, (Isaiah 61:10)

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