Isaiah Messianic Prophecies

In your last study guide, you studied the second part of **Acts 8** where Philip led an Ethiopian eunuch to the Lord. This is not the apostle Philip, who stayed in Jerusalem (**Acts 8:1**); but one of the 7 deacons that were chosen by the apostles in **Acts 6.** **Note** - Philip did not save this eunuch. The Lord God prepared the "soil" of this eunuch's heart to receive the "seed" of God's Word. Philip went where God's Spirit led him to be where God would have him to be God's vessel so that God, through Philip, saved this eunuch.

This week's study guide will delve into not only the Messianic prophecy that Jesus fulfilled from **Isaiah 53:7-8** (the verses that the eunuch asked Philip to explain in **Acts 8**), but also those verses around it. Those would be **Isaiah 52:13 - 53:13.** God's Word fulfilled confirms that God's Word is true and can be trusted. (**John 14:29**) I pray that "the eyes of your understanding [are] being enlightened" (**Ephesians 1:18a; NKJV**) as you study God's Word this week.

Scriptures in Study Guide:

Each study day will cover different Messianic prophecy Scriptures from **Isaiah 52:13 - 53:13**. To make things easier, your daily lessons will have verses to help you with the missing words. Scriptures included are in the **NKJV** (**New King James Version**).

Day 1 (Isaiah 53:7-8; related Scriptures)

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word. Read **Isaiah 52:13-53:12** out loud (to keep in context) and answer the questions below.

Today's Study Scriptures (Isaiah 53:7-8):

7 He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. **8** By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished.

Isaiah 53:7:

- He was _____ and _____, yet he _____ not open his mouth;
- he was _____ like a lamb _____ the slaughter,
- and _____ a sheep _____ its shearers _____ silent, so _____ did not open _____ mouth.
- **Questions:**
- Even though "He" was oppressed and afflicted, what did "He" not do? _____
- What was He led like? A _____ to the _____
- How is "His" silence" and not opening up "His" mouth described? As a _____ before its _____ is _____.
- According to **Matthew 27:12**, what did Jesus answer when He stood accused by the chief priests and the elders? _____
- According to **John 19:8-9**, how did Jesus answer Pontus Pilate (Roman governor) when he questioned Jesus? _____
- What was Pontus Pilate's response to Jesus' silence (**according to John 19:10**)? _____
- According to **John 19:11**, where did Pontus Pilate's power come from? _____
  Note: Jesus says, in **John 19:11b**, that the one who turned Jesus over to him (Pilate/ the Romans) has the "greater" sin. This is not Judas that Jesus is referring; but the Jewish nation. Judas was a "guide" (see Acts 1:16) to the Jews and they, themselves, physically turned them over and rejected Him as their Messiah.

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Day 1 (Isaiah 53:7-8) (cont'd):

Isaiah 53:8:

- _____ oppression _____ judgment he was _____ away.
- Yet who of _____ generation _____?
- For he _____ cut off from the _____ of the living;
- for _____ transgression of my people _____ was _____.
- **Questions:**
- How was He taken away? By _____ and _____
- Did anyone protest of "his generation" (meaning those who were physically alive when this happened)? _____
- What happened to "Him" in regard to the "land of the living"? He was _____ _____
- What was the reason why He was "cut off from the land of the living"? For the _____ of my people he was _____.
- According to **John 18:12**, what did the Roman soldiers and Jewish officers do to Jesus when they arrested Him in the garden? _____
- Write out **Luke 22:53** -

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- What does Jesus tell His apostles, in **John 16:32** about what they will do when the time comes for Him to be taken? _____
- According to the last part of **John 16:32**, even though they will all scatter and leave Jesus alone, why I "not alone"? Who is with Him? The _____.
- What does **Daniel 9:26** say will happen to the "Anointed One" (referring to Messiah)?

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- According to **Luke 24:25-27** (these are Jesus' words after His resurrection to 2 of His followers who do not recognize Jesus):
  - In **Luke 24:25**, what does Jesus say these "foolish ones" are slow to heart to believe? _____
  - In **Luke 24:26**, what does Jesus tell them the "Christ" (which means Messiah) had to do to "enter into His glory"? _____
  - Where, in the OT, did Jesus begin to teach them from (see **Luke 24:27**)? _____ at Moses and all the _____
  - As Jesus began to teach them from the OT Scriptures, Who was He teaching them that all of the Scriptures "concerned" (see **Luke 24:27**)? _____

This is where Philip **began** from to teach and "give an answer to" this Ethiopian eunuch. The Scriptures do not tell how much time they spent together, but they were riding for awhile as Philip taught him. And as we studied later in **Acts 8**, the Ethiopian eunuch's life was changed and the gospel propelled toward the direction of Africa.

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Day 2 (Isaiah 52:13-15; related Scriptures)

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word. Read **Isaiah 52:13-53:12** out loud (to keep in context) and answer the questions below.

Today's Study Scriptures (Isaiah 52:13-15):

13 Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.
14 Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man,
And His form more than the sons of men; **15** So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, And what they had not heard they shall consider.

Isaiah 52:13:

- _____, My _____ shall _____ prudently;
- He _____ be exalted _____ extolled and _____ very high.
- **Questions:**
- How should "My Servant" deal? _____
- What shall "My Servant" be? _____ and extolled and be very _____
- From **John 17:4**, what does Jesus say that He has done with the work the Father has given to Him to do? _____
- What were Jesus' last words, (see **John 19:30**) before He bowed His head and gave up His Spirit from the cross? It _____ _____ .
- Write out **Philippians 2:9-10** -
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Isaiah 52:14:

- Just _____ many were astonished _____ you,
- _____ His visage _____ marred more _____ any man,
  _____ His form more _____ the sons _____ men;
- **Questions:**
- What were people's reactions to "My Servant" in **Isaiah 52:14**? many were _____
- His visage (meaning appearance) was what more than any man? _____
- And what else was marred more than the sons of men? His _____
- According to **Mark 14:65**, describe how Jesus was treated by the Jewish leaders?
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- Describe how Herod and his soldiers treat Jesus? (Use details provided in **Luke 23:11**)
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- Write details from **John 19:1-3** to describe what Pilate ordered and the soldiers did?
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Day 2 (Isaiah 52:13-15); cont'd

Isaiah 52:15:

- _____ shall He sprinkle [startle] _____ nations.
- Kings _____ shut their mouths _____ Him;
- For _____ had not been told them _____ shall see,
- _____ what they _____ not heard _____ shall consider.
- **Questions:**
- What shall He ("My Servant") do to "many nations"? _____

  Note: in His sacrificial state, this suffering Servant will cleanse not only Israel; but **all** nations with His pure blood. It was ALWAYS God's plan to include more than the nation Israel in His redemption plan.
- Write out **Hebrews 9:12** -

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- What shall kings shut at Him ("My Servant")? Their _____
- What shall they (these kings with shut mouths) see? What had _____ _____ _____ them.
- And what shall they consider? What they had _____ _____
- Write out **Philippians 2:11** -

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  Note: These verses were all Messianic prophecy more than 700 years BEFORE Jesus walked this earth. The nation of Israel does not see their Messiah as a "suffering Servant: and find the thought offensive (even though it is right there in their Scriptures; Old Testament). Their pride, as we note in Jesus' discussions with them in **John 8:31-58**, has blinded their eyes. Israel, as a nation, will one day recognize Jesus as their Messiah (See **Zechariah 12:10**). But that "time" has not occurred within God's plan yet.

The apostle Paul wrote about this in Romans (letter to the Roman Jewish Christians under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit; see **2 Timothy 3:16**). **Romans 11:25-26** is below to provide a better understanding of how our Lord STILL has a plan for the nation Israel. And why, as Christians, we should support and pray for God's chosen nation **(questions follow Scripture**):

Romans 11:25-26 - **25** For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. **26** And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;

- **Questions**:
- According **Romans 11:25**, why has that "blindness" in part happened to Israel? Until the _____ of the Gentiles has come in.

  Note: Gentiles are non-Jews. God is bringing the Gentiles into the fold (see **John 10:16**) - this is the church. We are in the "church age". The church age must reach it's "fullness".
- According to **Romans 11:26**, once the "fullness of the Gentiles" comes in, how much of the nation of Israel will be saved? _____

  Note: People "out of nations" will be saved. Only Israel, as God has promised, will be saved as a nation.
- According to **Romans 11:26**, who will come out of Zion? The _____
- What will the "Deliverer" do when He comes out of Zion? Turn _____ _____ from Jacob. (**Note:** Jacob is Israel - see **Genesis 35:10**)

Day 3 (Isaiah 53:1-2)

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word.
Read **Isaiah 52:13-53:12** out loud (to keep in context) and answer the questions below.

Today's Scriptures:

53 **1** Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? **2** For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him.

Isaiah 53:1:

- Who _____ believed _____ report?
- _____ to whom _____ the arm of the Lord _____ revealed?
- **Questions:**
- What is being called into question about "our report"? Whether anyone _____ it.
- And what are they not seeing that is being revealed? The _____ of the _____.
  Note: Few would believe when these things came to pass. This was fulfilled when the nation of Israel did not believe the Jesus was their Messiah; the Son of God. An arm is an extension and God's incarnate power was in the Person of Jesus, His Son and their Deliverer.
- According to **John 1:10**, even though He was in the world and the world was made by Him, did the world know Him? _____
- Write out **John 1:11**:
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- Write out Jesus' lament from **Matthew 23:37** over Jerusalem as He made His way to the cross:
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Isaiah 53:2:

- _____ He shall grow up _____ Him as ___ tender plant, And ____ a root out of _____ ground.
- He has ____ form _____ comeliness;
- _____ when we see Him, _____ is no beauty that we _____ desire Him.
- **Questions:**
- What shall He grow up before Him as?
- A _____ _____
- And as a _____ _____ of _____ _____.
  Note: Before He was 30 years old, Jesus lived out of the "world's" eye; but never out of His Father's eye. God's eye never left Him and ordered every moment of Jesus' incarnation.
- Look up **John 16:33** (**either KJV or NKJV**) to answer - even though everyone will leave Jesus, why does He say that He is never alone? Who is with Him? The _____
- Write out **Acts 1:7** -
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- What did He not have? _____ or _____
- When someone saw Him, what did He not have that no one should desire Him? _____
  Note: this description is more of the thought of prestige or royalty. He will be one of lowly (humble) means where only those with discerning eyes of faith will be able to recognize Him. Israel rejected God as their King (see **1Samuel 8:7**) and chose "worldly Saul" (see **1Samuel 9:2**). God, however, sought a "man after His own heart" and chose David.
- Write out **1Samuel 16:7:**
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Day 4 (Isaiah 53:3-6)

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word.
Read **Isaiah 52:13-53:12** out loud (to keep in context) and answer the questions below.

Today's Scriptures:

3 He is despised and rejected by 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. **4** Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. **5** But He was wounded [pierced through] for our transgressions, He was bruised [crushed] for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes [blows that cut in] we are healed. **6** All we 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 53:3:

- He is _____ and rejected _____ men, A Man ___ sorrows and acquainted _____ grief.
- _____ we hid, as _____ were, our faces _____ Him;
- He _____ despised, and we _____ not esteem Him.
- **Questions:**
- What did men "do", according to **Isaiah 53:3**, to this "man"? They despised and _____ Him.
- He was a "Man" of what? _____
- What was He acquainted with? _____
- What did "we" hid from Him? our _____
- When He was despised, what did "we" not do? _____ Him.
- Write out **Matthew 27:42** (words of the chief priests, teachers of the law and elders):

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Isaiah 53:4:

- _____ He has borne _____ griefs _____ carried _____ sorrows;
- Yet we _____ Him stricken, Smitten _____ God, _____ afflicted.
- **Questions:**
- Surely He has borne our what? _____
- What has He carried? Our _____
- Even though He bore our griefs and carried our sorrows, we esteemed him as what? _____
- And not only did we esteem Him as stricken, but also afflicted and smitten by Who? _____
- According to **Acts 2:23**, Whose plan determined Jesus' death? _____
- Write out **John 17:3-4**:

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Isaiah 53:5:

- _____ He was wounded [pierced through] for _____ transgressions,
- ____ was bruised [crushed] _____ our iniquities;
- The chastisement for our _____ was _____ Him,
- And by _____ stripes [blows that cut in] we _____ healed.
- **Questions:**
- Why was He wounded [pierce through]? _____ our _____
- Why was He bruised [crushed]? For _____ _____
- What was upon Him for our peace? The _____
- How were we healed? By His _____
- Write out **1 Peter 2:24**:

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Day 4 (Isaiah 53:3-6); cont'd

Isaiah 53:6:

- All we _____ sheep have _____ astray;
- We _____ turned, every one, to his _____ way;
- _____ the Lord has _____ on Him the _____ of us all.
- **Questions:**
- What are we like? _____
- What have we, like sheep, gone and done? Have gone _____
- How have we turned? To his _____ _____
- How many have turned to his own way? _____ _____
- Who has laid on Him the iniquity of us all? The _____
- What is iniquity? _____
- According to **Romans 3:23**, how many have fallen short of the glory of God? _____
- Write out **Acts 4:12**:

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Day 5 (Isaiah 53:9-12)

Pray God open your heart and understanding to what He would have you learn today from His Word. Read **Isaiah 52:13-53:12** out loud (to keep in context) and answer the questions below.

Today's Scriptures:

9 And they made His grave with the wicked—But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was any deceit in His mouth.**10** Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.**11** He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities. **12** Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He 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 53:9:

- _____ they made His grave _____ the wicked—But _____ the rich ____ His death,
- Because He _____ done _____ violence, Nor was _____ deceit _____ His mouth.
- **Questions:**
- Where did they make His grave (basically where did they plan for Him to die with)? The _____
- Write out **Matthew 27:38**: _____
- Write out **Mark 15:27**: _____
- But who was He with in His death (see **Isaiah 53:9**)? The _____
- According to **Matthew 27:57,** how is Joseph of Arimathea's financial status described? A _____ man
- According to **Matthew 27:58-60**, where did Joseph of Arimathea (who was a rich man) place Jesus' dead body in? His own new _____
- What had He not done? no _____
- What also was not found in His mouth? Nor was any _____
- Write out **Matthew 27:14**:

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Isaiah 53:10:

- Yet ____ pleased _____ Lord to bruise _____; He _____ put Him _____ grief.
- _____ You make His _____ an offering _____ sin, He shall _____ His seed, He _____ prolong His days, _____ the pleasure _____ the Lord _____ prosper _____ His hand.
- **Questions:**
- What did it please the Lord to do to Him? to _____ Him
- He [the Lord] has put Him to what? to _____
- What was His soul going to be an offering for? _____
- What shall He see? His _____
- What shall He prolong? His _____
- And where shall the pleasure of the Lord prosper? in His _____
- Write out **Mark 10:45**:

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- Write out **Romans 3:25**:

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Day 5 (Isaiah 53:9-12); cont'd

Isaiah 53:11:

- He shall _____ the labor of _____ soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant _____ justify many, _____ He shall bear _____ iniquities.
- **Questions:**
- When He sees the labor of His soul, what will He be? _____
- By His knowledge, how many will "My righteous Servant" justify? _____
- For He shall bear their what? _____
- Write out **Colossians 2:13-14**:

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Isaiah 53:12:

- _____ I will divide Him _____ portion with _____ great, And He shall _____ the spoil with the strong, _____ He poured _____ His soul _____ death, And He _____ numbered with _____ transgressors, _____ He bore the sin ___ many, And _____ intercession for the _____.
- **Questions:**
- Who will He divide Him a portion with? the _____
- And who shall He divide the spoil with? the _____
- Why will He divide Him a portion with the great and the spoil with the strong?
    - Because He _____ out _____ _____ unto _____
    - And He was _____ with the _____
    - And He _____ the sin of _____
    - And made _____ for the transgressors
- Write out **Hebrews 9:28**:

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- Write out **Luke 23:33-34**:

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Scholars refer to these Scriptures in Isaiah as the "Fifth" gospel because it was as if the prophet, Isaiah, had written it at the foot of the cross instead of over 700 years before it occurred. God's original plan from the beginning was to pay sin's debt of death through the life of His Son, Jesus Christ (the Jews' and our Messiah).

To finish up today, write the following verses:

- **Genesis 3:15**:

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- **Matthew 1:23**:

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- **Luke 1:34-35**:

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I pray this has strengthened your faith in the authenticity and sufficiency of God's Word. He is Who He says He is. Let me know if you have any questions. You're doing great. Next week, we will begin **Acts 9**.