

THE SHEPHERD'S LOVE

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From the Pastor's Desk

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"Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high. As many were astonished at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men: So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider. Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no 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 esteemed him not. Surely he hath 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, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is

brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt 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. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my 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 hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."
Isaiah 52:13-53:12

The old testament lesson for Good Friday depicts God's suffering servant. Keep this in mind as we continue through lent and reflect on our own sinfulness and need for a savior. God prepared a servant, one who would act wisely. One who was not to be followed after because of his charisma or beauty. In fact, this one would be rejected, scorned, beaten and afflicted. No, the Lord's suffering servant, prepared before the foundation of the world will be followed because he lays

down his life. He carries our sorrows, bears our iniquities and justifies us in the sight of the Lord. Of course the prophet Isaiah is speaking of the Lord Jesus Christ. Let this color our worldview in this current age. We all have theologians of glory in us, as Luther put it. The expectation that as Christians this life should be glorious. We don't like pain, we don't like suffering, and so we think that if those things befall us than God is mad at us. Consider the son of God. "Behold the man...". Jesus is God's beloved son. God is pleased with Jesus, yet it pleases the Lord to bruise him. Why? Because he is the offering for sin, once for all, that grants all of us salvation. You see the suffering of Christ is a blessing to us because by it God redeemed us. When we face suffering and trials we can do so emboldened by that knowledge. That God is up to something greater. The antidote to the theologian of glory in us is the theology of the cross. That this life is a cross. We look at everything through the lens of suffering and the cross and understand that God's greatest work was done in suffering. In understanding that we can take comfort in the fact that that is often true for us as well. God draws us closer to himself until the day we see him face to face. Praise God for the suffering of Good Friday and praise him that he doesn't leave us to a life of ease with no need for a savior.

God's Peace,

Pastor Nicholas Kandoll

"Thank you to everyone who gave cards, flowers, gifts and good wishes for our birthdays. It was much appreciated! We are truly blessed!"

s/Barb & Louise



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6, St. Paul writes in [Romans 4](#), 25 as follows: "Christ was delivered up for our trespasses, and was raised for our justification." Paul is indeed the man who extols Christ in a masterly manner, telling us exactly why and for what purpose he suffered and how we should conform ourselves to his sufferings, namely, that he died for our sins. This is a correct interpretation of the sufferings of Christ, by which we may profit. And as it is not sufficient to know and believe that Christ has died, so it will not suffice to know and believe that he rose with a transfigured body and is now in a state of joy and blessedness, no longer subject to mortality, for all this would profit me nothing or very little. But when I come to understand the fact that all the works God does in Christ are done for me, nay, they are bestowed upon and given to me, the effect of his resurrection being that I also will arise and live with him; that will cause me to rejoice. This must be brought home to our hearts, and we must not merely hear it with the ears of our body nor merely confess it with our mouth.

7. You have heard in the story of the Passion how Christ is portrayed as our exemplar and helper, and that he who follows him and clings to him receives the Spirit, who will enable him also to suffer. But the words of Paul are more Christian and should come closer home to our hearts and comfort us more, when he says: "Christ was raised for our justification." Here the Lamb is truly revealed, of whom John the Baptist testifies, when he says in Jn 1, 29: "Behold, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world." Here is fulfilled that which was spoken to the serpent: "I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: he shall bruise thy head," which means that for all those who believe in him, hell, death, and the devil and sin have been destroyed. In the same manner the promise is fulfilled to-day which God gave to Abraham, when he said in Gen 22, 18: "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." Here Christ is meant, who takes away our curse and the power of sin, death and the devil. Martin Luther

William R. Newell was rebellious in his teen years and as young adult. His father convinced Dr. Torrey from the Moody Bible Institute to enroll him but Dr. Torrey told him his school was not a reformatory. Finally Dr. Torrey agreed, provided the boy meet with him daily and abided by the rules.

Day by day William ventilated his frustrations to Dr. Torrey and as it turned out was more attentive to Torrey's answers than it appeared. After several years this boy became a beloved professor at Moody Bible Institute.

In 1895 William began thinking of putting his testimony into verse form. The idea rolled around in the back of his mind for several weeks, then one day on his way to a lecture, the lines came to him. Going into an empty classroom, he jotted down the words on the back of an envelope. As he hurried on to class, he happened to meet the director of music at the Institute. He handed him the verses and suggested they could use a good melody. By the time Dr. Newell finished his lecture, the completed tune was ready for him.

Dr William Newell said that had he not gone through his troubled years, he might never have fully understood the importance of Calvary's grace -- thus the song -- *At Calvary*.

- Years I spent in vanity and pride, caring not my Lord was crucified,
Knowing not it was for me He died on Calvary.*
2. *By God's Word at last my sin I learned; Then I trembled at the law I'd spurned,
Til my guilty soul imploring turned to Calvary.*
3. *Now I've given to Jesus everything; Now I gladly own Him as my King;
Now my raptured soul can only sing of Calvary.*
4. *Oh, the love that drew salvation's plan! Oh, the grace that bro't it down to man!
Oh, the mighty gulf that God did span at Calvary!*

CHORUS

*Mercy there was great, and grace was free; Pardon there was multiplied to me;
There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.*

This song is no. 92 in our hymnal.

Submitted by LA-J

Psalms 96 1-2

O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing
unto the LORD, all the earth.

² Sing unto the LORD, bless his name;
shew forth his salvation from day to
day.

WOMENS RETREAT

April 22 @ 4:40PM to April 24 @ 9:30

Camp Emmaus in Menahga, MN, 14248 374th St,
Menahga, MN 56464

There is an information bulletin in the fellowship
hall.

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Sunday School @ 9:15.

Worship @ 10:30 Sunday

If you choose to watch the services online and would like to donate to the church please send checks to:

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Thank you to everyone that has taken the time to send contributions. It is greatly appreciated!

Meals/potluck, will be served on the
first Sunday

Group 7 serves in Apr

Group 8 Easter Sun

Group 9 serves in May

Group 10 for Spring Services

The group will make the main dishes (unless announced otherwise) and others are asked to bring salads or desserts.

There is a sign up sheet for Sunday coffee in the dining room.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are hurting in body and mind; any that have lost loved ones; the lonely and alone; those that are struggling with depression, addictions, temptations, persecutions. Pray for the sick and relatives and/or friends that are ill or are awaiting surgeries. Also pray for our nations leaders for wisdom from on High to rule this great land; our military; first responders, fire fighters; mission workers.

And pray especially for the children of Christian parents who do not have Jesus as their Savior.

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