

The Servant of the Lord – 3rd Song

Sermon 4 in the Isaiah Mini-Series

Isaiah 50:4-11

The Servant Speaks – and what is on his mind?

v. 4 – The Lord GOD (4 times - Adonai Yaweh)

v. 5 – The Lord GOD

v. 7 – The Lord GOD

v. 9 – The Lord GOD

I. The Servant's Faithfulness – As a Disciple 4-5

He is the disciple – par excellence.

He awakens me Morning by Morning.

He awakens my ear.

God speaks and wants to be heard.

The Prophets were constantly saying – Thus saith the Lord.

At an early age – the Servant was already in communion with His Father.

As he read and heard the Scriptures – he found himself in them.

In his hometown synagogue – he picks up the scroll and reads Isaiah -- 61:1-2

II. The Servant's Faithful Suffering v. 6

Literally fulfilled. No rebellion. No retreat. **5b**.

This is insight into what Christ was thinking as he endured the mocking of the soldiers.

Voluntary I gave my back – I gave my cheeks

I did not hide my face – to the insults – and the spitting.

III. The Servant Relies on the Promise v. 7

Who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame.

He knew what would happen in Jerusalem, but set his face like a flint.

He even told His disciples about the cross before it happened.

IV. The Servant is Vindicated v. 8-9

Picture this scene is like a courtroom.

Who can say Christ is guilty? “Who convinces me of sin”.

We share in this vindication because we are “in Christ”. Romans 8:31-35

V. The Servant’s Exhortation 10-11

v. 10 – is for the believer.

Fear the Lord. Trust in the Servant.

The path ahead may be dark.

You have no need to fear the dark – or the valley of the shadow of death.

OR – the alternative

v. 11 – Those that will not trust.

Those that will not look to The Servant by faith.

Try to dispel the darkness by their own light.

From the Hand of the Lord – you will lie down in torment (the Hebrew denotes a place of pain that is the result of God’s judgment).