

# The Divine Exchange

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**Isaiah 53:3-6**







**This Sunday is Palm Sunday! ☺**





# Palm Sunday Passages

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- Matthew 21:1-11
- Mark 11:1-11
- Luke 19:28-40
- John 12:12-19

***‘ ‘ Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is He who comes  
in the name of the LORD! , ,***

# Isaiah 53 – the Song of the Suffering Servant

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***“There is, indeed, in all the writings of the Old Testament, no plainer text nor prediction, both of the sufferings and the resurrection of Christ, than in this chapter.”***



Martin Luther

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“ *The most complete,  
profound revelation  
of the work of  
salvation in the  
entire Bible.* ”



John MacArthur

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**“The key  
messianic  
prophecy  
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Bible.”**



Michael Brown



## Isaiah 53:3-4 (ESV unless otherwise stated)

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## Isaiah 53:5-6

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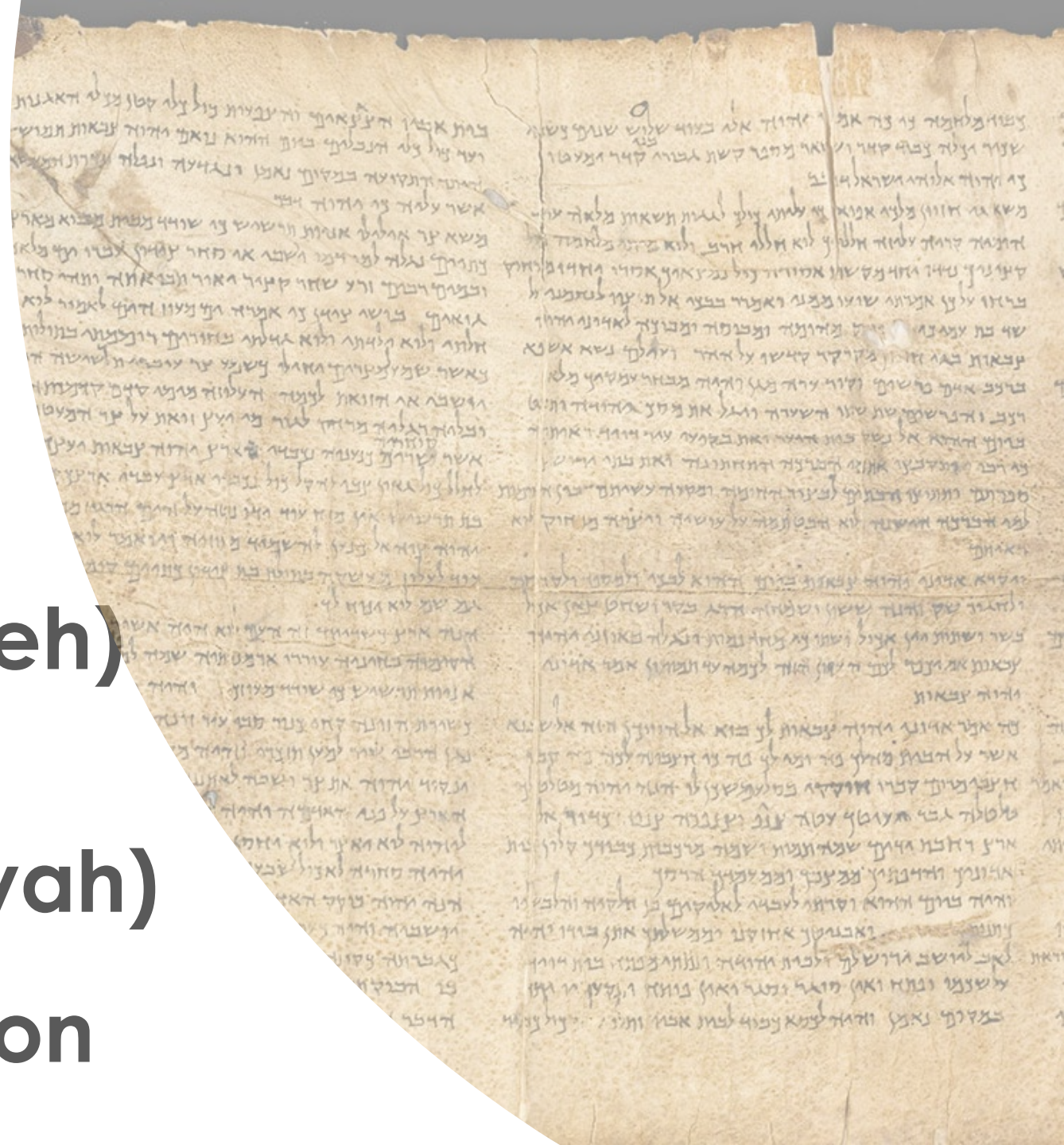
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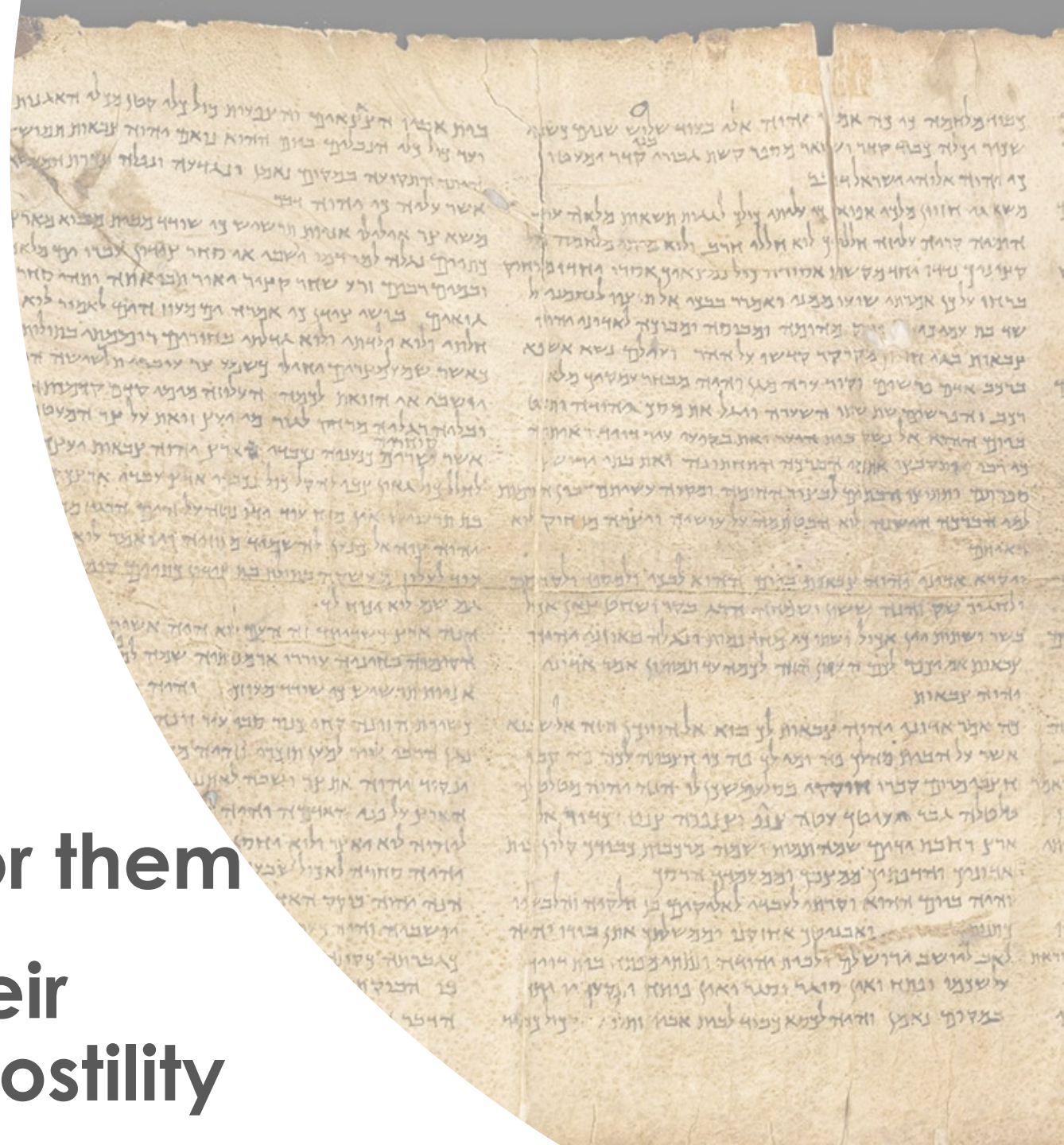
- Isaiah prophesied  
c. 760-700 BC
- Isaiah (Yesha'ayah)  
= salvation of Yah(weh)
- Jesus (Yeshua)  
= salvation of Yeh(ovah)
- Yesha (ישע) = salvation





# Context of Isaiah

- God will console His condemned people by sending His Servant
- The Servant will
  - Bear their griefs
  - Bring them peace
  - Sanctify and atone for them
- Despite their hatred, their hurting Him, and their hostility





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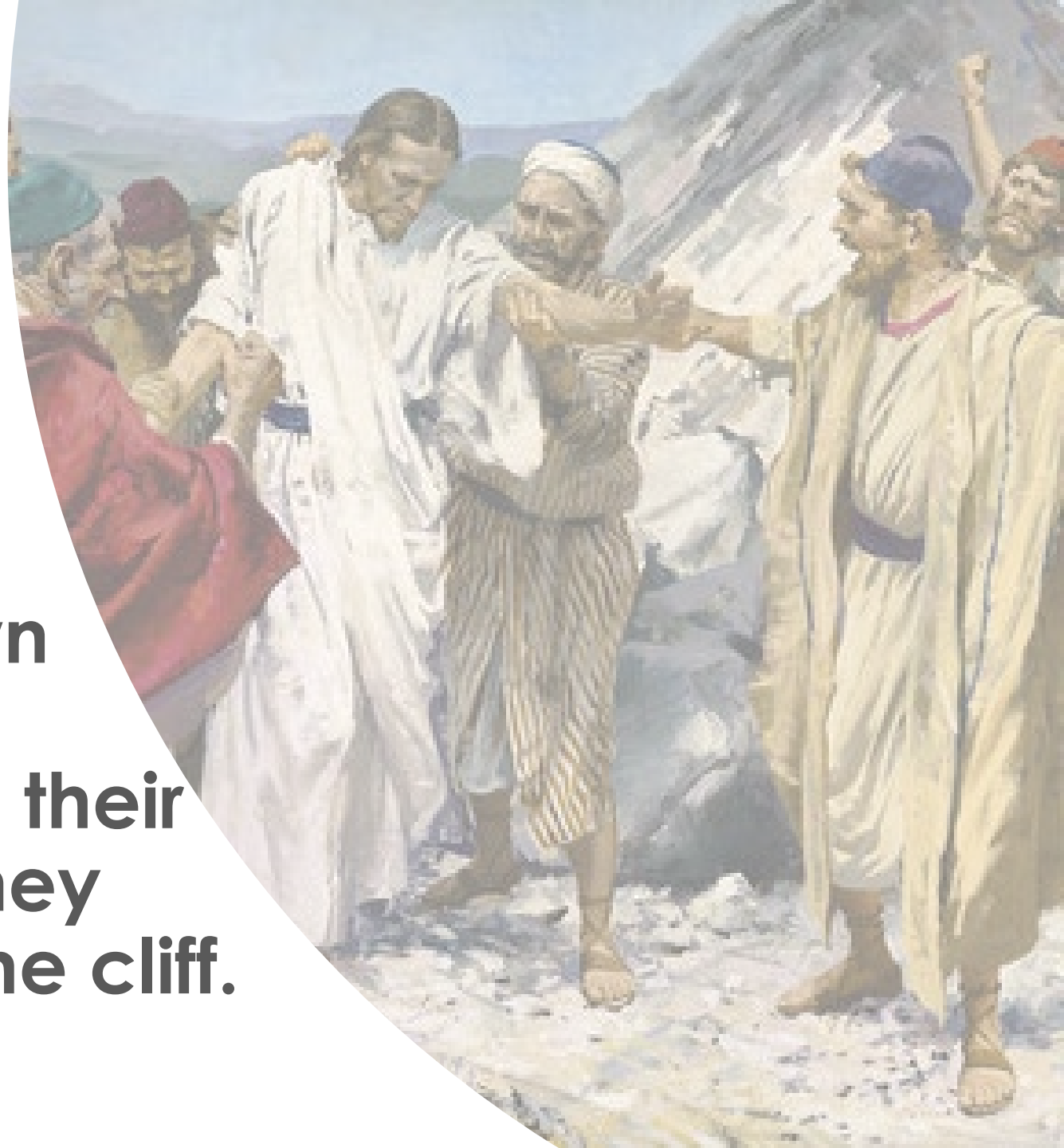
# Hated in Nazareth

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Luke 4:28-29

**28**all in the synagogue were filled with wrath.

**29**And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff.



# Hated by the Pharisees

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Matthew 12:24

**But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, “It is only by Beelzebul, the prince of demons, that this man casts out demons.”**



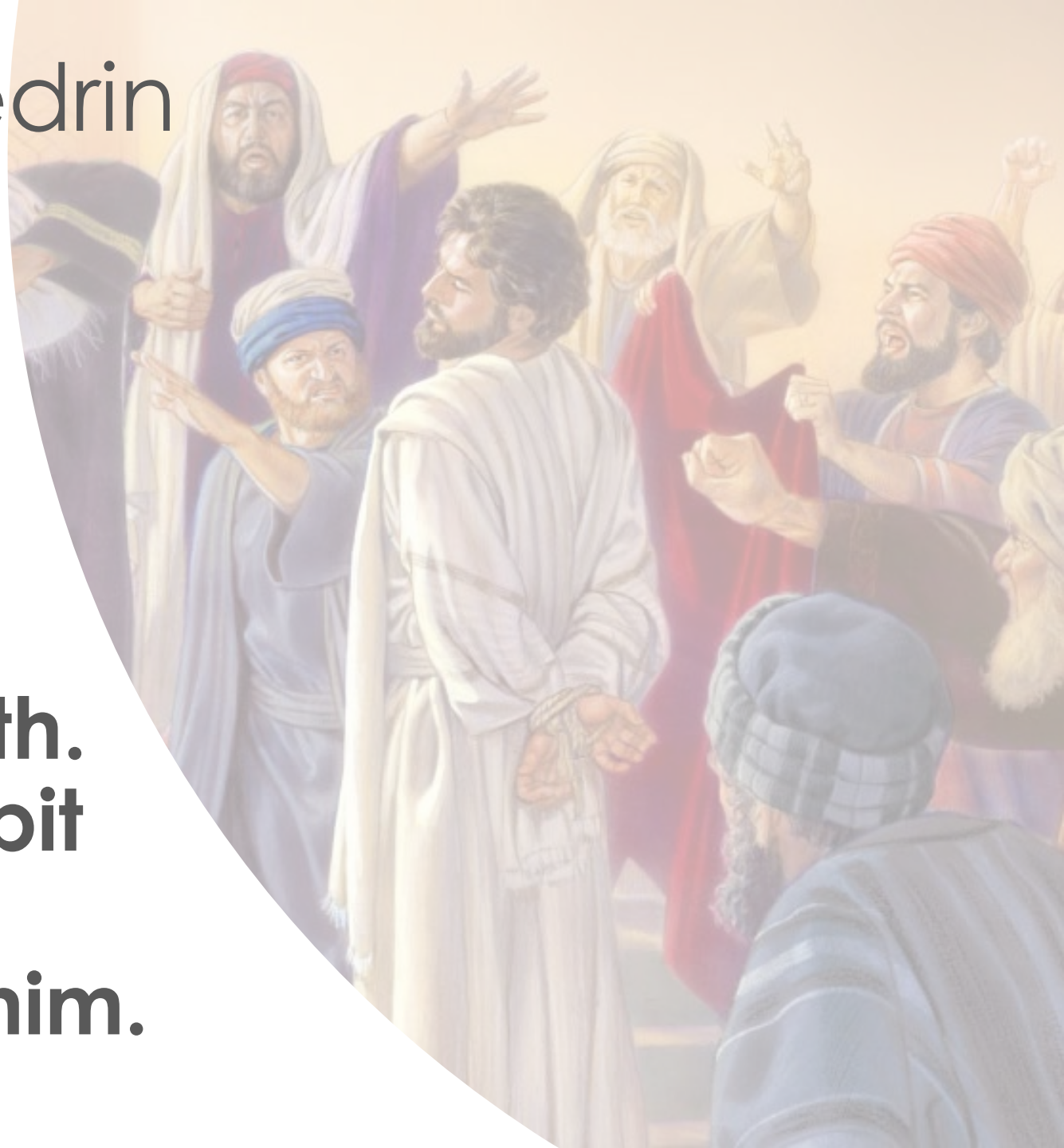


# Hated by the Sanhedrin

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Mark 14:64-65

**You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?" And they all condemned him as deserving death. And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him.**





A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief

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John 11:33,35 (NLT)

**<sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw (Mary) weeping and saw the other people wailing with her, a deep anger welled up within him, and he was deeply troubled. <sup>35</sup>Then Jesus wept.**





A man of sorrows and  
acquainted with grief

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***“Jesus was angry at death as the enemy who so brazenly robs us of our precious loved ones...While overwhelmed with sadness and grief, he is also righteous with rage.”***

– Ps. J. Duvall, NT Prof. at Ouachita Baptist University



A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief

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Matthew 26:38

**Then he said to them,  
“My soul is very sorrowful,  
even to death; remain  
here, and watch with me.”**

Luke 22:44

**And being in agony he  
prayed more earnestly;  
and his sweat became  
like great drops of blood  
falling down to the ground.**



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# Why would Christ care?

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Isaiah 49:15-16

**“Can a woman forget  
her nursing child, that she  
should have no compassion  
on the son of her womb?**

**Even these may forget,  
yet I will not forget you.**

**Behold, I have engraved you  
on the palms of my hands; your  
walls are continually before me.”**



A silhouette of a hand holding a thick Bible, with a small cross pendant hanging from a cord around the neck. The background is a warm, golden sunset or sunrise over a hazy landscape.

# Application 1

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**Don't despise God**



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# Christ's sinlessness

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Isaiah 53

**⁹he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.**

**¹¹by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.**



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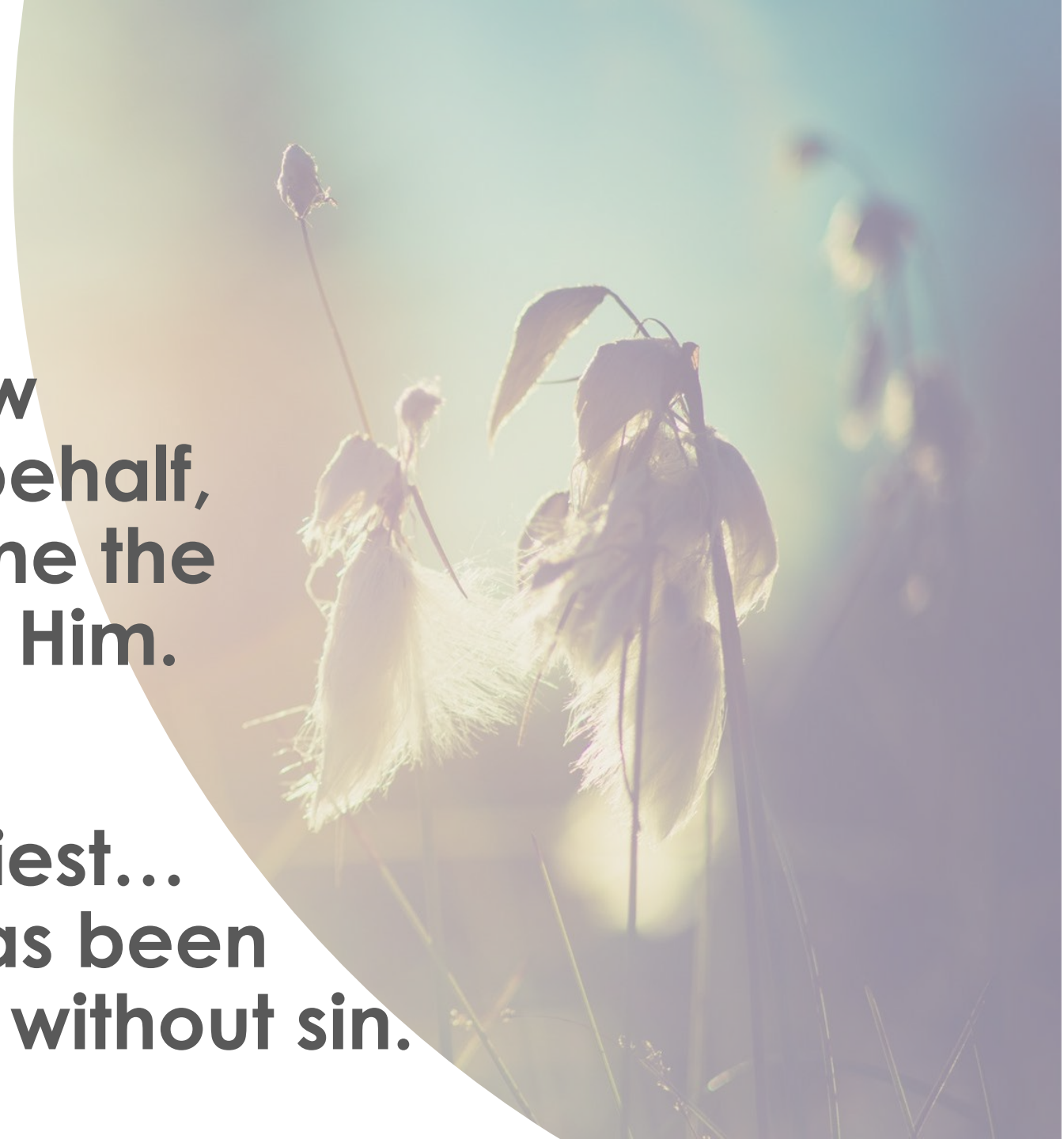
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2 Corinthians 5:21 (NASB)

**He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.**

Hebrews 4:15

**For we...have a high priest... who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.**





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# Sin brings death

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Romans 6:23

**The wages of sin is death.**

Ezekiel 18:4

**The soul who sins shall die.**

James 1:15

**Sin when it is fully grown  
brings forth death.**





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# Application 2

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**Pray for peace and healing**

**Pray for those who need peace and healing**





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# All have sinned

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Psalms 14:3 (and 53)

**There is none who does good, not even one.**

1 John 1:8

**If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.**

Isaiah 64:6 (NIV)

**All our righteous acts are like filthy rags.**

Isaiah 53:6

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laid on him  
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## Christ's suffering

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Psalm 22:1

**My God,  
my God,  
why have you  
forsaken me?**

# Christ's willingness

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Isaiah 53:7

**Like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.**





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A black and white photograph of a person kneeling in prayer in the center aisle of a church. The person is seen from behind, wearing a light-colored shirt and dark trousers. The church interior features rows of pews on either side, a balcony with more seating in the background, and a large, bright rectangular opening in the wall above the altar area. The lighting is soft, creating a contemplative atmosphere.

# Application 3

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**Repent of trivialising sin in our life**



# The day the Lamb was picked

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Exodus 12

**<sup>3</sup>On the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household.**

**<sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.**

**<sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. When I see the blood, I will pass over you.**

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**Jesus is that Lamb**





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- **Sorry**
- **Please**
- **Thank you**