

## ISAIAH 53:1 – 5

- 1 ¶ Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?
- 2 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.
- 3 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.
- 4 ¶ Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
- 5 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**.

**THE FLAW MADE IT THE MASTERPIECE**

THE.MASTERPIECE\_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY\_ 64-0705

- 39 After he had spent all that time, for years and years, to make this; **then under the influence of seeing fulfilled what he had seen in his heart and in his vision**, and desired to see, it was completed. And when it was completed, he was so **inspired** by it till he thought his own **MASTERPIECE** should speak back to him. And he struck it across the leg, and holler, "Speak!" And it made a **FLAW** on it. It put a **FLAW** on the image.
- 40 **To me, THE FLAW was what made it THE MASTERPIECE**. Now, maybe to the mind that might think different, you think that spoiled it. No, to me, it made it what it was. Because of after so many years of careful work and toils, and **inspiration**, and so forth, of making it, his toil had proved not in vain. It was perfect, and that's why he cried out, "Speak!" **Because, he had seen before him that he (was) had been able to achieve, to bring to pass the vision that was in his mind**. And therefore, under **inspiration**, he done something out of the reason, out of the ordinary. He struck it, and hollered, "Speak!" See, **he wouldn't have done that if he had thought. But he didn't think. It was inspiration of seeing what he had in his mind setting there perfectly before him**.

**mar** (mär) *tr. v.* **marred, mar-ring, mars**. **1.** To inflict damage, especially disfiguring damage, on. **2.** To impair, deface, disfigure; to blemish;

**flaw**<sup>1</sup> (flô) *n.* **1.** A fault, an imperfection, a physical disfigurement: that prevents something from being perfect; and can distract from its value. **2.** A defect or shortcoming in something intangible.

ISAIAH 53: 5 he was **wounded** for our transgressions, he was **bruised** for our iniquities:

**THE WOUND SPEAKS**

JOHN 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,

I JOHN 3:16 Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us:

JOHN 10:18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself.

I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again.

ACTS 2:23 ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: (Crucified by men)

ACTS 3:15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

**GOD SMOTE HIM - MADE THE PERFECT MASTERPIECE**

THE.IDENTIFIED.MASTERPIECE.OF.GOD\_ YUMA.AZ SATURDAY\_ 64-1205

129 Now, that was a **PERFECT MASTERPIECE** and God **SMOTE** it. What an example It was! What a real thing! Talk about Michelangelo's piece of sculpture over there, by Moses being **SMITTEN** on the leg? The Bible said, "This Man was **marred** above all men. He was **marred** so much till He didn't even look like a son of man. He was **beaten**. He was **bruised**. He was bloody. He was striped." Everything that could be done. He looked like just a big pile of Blood and bones, walking together. He didn't even look like a human being, as He drug that up Calvary.

**God SMOTE Him for us. That's what makes Him the PERFECT MASTERPIECE.**

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LAODICEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.9

365-1 In the days of the seventh messenger, in the days of the Laodicean Age, its messenger will reveal the mysteries of God as revealed to Paul. He will **SPEAK** out, and those who receive that prophet in his own name will receive the beneficent effect of that prophet's ministry. And they that hear him will be blessed and become part of that bride of the last day who are mentioned in **Revelation 22:17**,

*"The Spirit and the bride say come."*

listen to the authenticated prophet of God who appears in this last age. What he **SAYS** from God, the bride will say. The Spirit and the prophet and the bride will be **SAYING** the same thing. And what they will **SAY** will have already been **SAID** in the Word. They are **SAYING** it now, "Come out from among her now and be ye separate." **THE CRY** has gone out. The cry is going out. How long will **THE VOICE** cry?

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THE VALUE OF THE WOUND?

PERGAMEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.5

165-2 Have you noticed in **Revelation 22:17**

*"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come,--And let him that heareth say, Come."*

See, the bride **SPEAKS** the same Word as does the Spirit. **She is a Word bride proving she has the Spirit.**

**IF I EVER SAID ANYTHING THAT WAS INSPIRED...**

THE.FEAST.OF.THE.TRUMPETS\_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-16 SUNDAY\_ 64-0719M

43 Immediately after that, the Angels of the Lord appeared and told about the Seven Seals, that I was to return back here to Jeffersonville and preach the Seven Seals. And, there, if I've ever **SAID** anything that was **inspired**, it was in that. There where the Angel of the Lord met us, **and the Bible become a new Bible**. There It opened up and revealed all the things that the reformers and things had left out. It was the complete revelation of Jesus Christ, altogether new to us, but perfectly exactly with the Scripture. That was the Word which has always been. I was so inspired and directed.

**GOD INSPIRED BY HIS MASTERPIECE, CRIED "SPEAK"**

THE.MASTERPIECE\_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY\_ 64-0705

71 **He was so perfect, until, God seeing this, He SMOTE Him and has cried out, "SPEAK!"**

as Michelangelo did. **"SPEAK!"**

You say, "Is that so?"

72 **Saint Mark 9:7**, we find, upon the Mount Transfiguration, when there stood Moses, the law, there stood Elijah, the prophets. All the way back from the patriarchs, the fathers, the law, the prophets, and all of them standing there. We hear a Voice coming down from the cloud, and said, "This is My beloved Son; **HEAR** ye Him!" And if they're going to **HEAR**, He's got to **SPEAK**. It was just a few days before He was **SMITTEN**. "This is My Son, Who I'm pleased to dwell in. I have molded Him. I've been four thousand years bringing Him to this. And now, He is so perfect, I've got to **SMITE** Him so He can **SPEAK**. **HEAR** ye Him! He is the perfected One. He, He is **THE MASTERPIECE**."

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**COULD SPEAK MORE / GREATER AFTER THE FLAW**

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39 After he had spent all that time, for years and years, to make this; then under the influence of seeing fulfilled what he had seen in his heart and in his vision, and desired to see, it was completed. And when it was completed, he was so inspired by it till he thought his own masterpiece should speak back to him. And he struck it across the leg, and holler, "Speak!" And it made a **FLAW** on it. It put a **FLAW** on the image.

Our Lives Speak things After the **WOUNDING** that it could not say before, If we Allow God to Use It.

ACTS 16:23 – 25

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 ¶ And at midnight Paul and Silas PRAYED, and SANG PRAISES unto God: and the prisoners HEARD them.

The Other Prisoners HEARD something After these men had been **BRUISED & WOUNDED**

THE.HARVEST.TIME\_ PHOENIX.AZ V-18 N-6 SATURDAY\_ 64-1212

268 Notice now when He seen that **PERFECT ONE**, He **STRUCK Him, MARRED Him**.

Isaiah said, "He was **wounded** for our transgressions, **bruised** for our iniquity."

THE.IDENTIFIED.MASTERPIECE.OF.GOD\_ YUMA.AZ SATURDAY\_ 64-1205

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**PROPHETS - FLAWS**

70 All the prophets had **FLAWS**; all the ones was a portion. THE.MASTERPIECE— JEFF.IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY— 64-0705

**MOSES**

EXODUS 4:10 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, **I am not eloquent**, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but **I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue**.

[Hebrew: heavy, burdensome, dull, difficult, hard]

EXODUS 4:14, 15 Is not **Aaron** the Levite thy brother? **I know that he can speak well**.

And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth,

**NOTHING WAS GOING TO CHANGE GOD'S MIND – GOD WAS DETERMINED...**

WHAT.IS.A.VISION\_ CHI.IL V-2 N-9 SUNDAY\_ 56-0408A

21-1 **MOSES** killed a man one time, but **GOD** was **determined**.

THIS.GREAT.SERVANT.MOSES\_ CHICAGO.IL SATURDAY\_ 55-0122

E-11 So no matter how much the picture was **MARRED**, it'd taken **GOD** forty years to rectify what **MOSES** done in about three days, just get that picture straightened out again.

But He was **determined** that He was going to do it, and He ordained **MOSES** to do so. Oh, I just love that.

WHAT.IS.THAT.IN.YOUR.HAND\_ SAN.FERNANDO.CA SUNDAY\_ 55-1120

E-42 Notice. **MOSES** said, "Lord, I can't go."

But **GOD** was **determined** that he was going. And He said, "**MOSES**, you must go."

DIVINE.LOVE.AND.SOVEREIGN.GRACE\_ PRINCE.ALBERT.SK TUESDAY\_ 56-0814 E-23

**GOD** had brought **MOSES** in the world to do the job, and **GOD** was **determined** that **MOSES** was going to carry out His plan.

## MOSES' BESETTING SIN WAS HIS TEMPER

ISRAEL.AND.THE.CHURCH.4\_ JEFF.IN IC 97-128 SATURDAY\_ 53-0328

19 And then He sent a man; a child was born, a peculiar child, and he was raised a peculiar life, but God had His hand upon him. **MOSES**, how he was hid in the bulrush, born in a time of persecution, just like Christ, born a proper child just like Christ. And he was born in this world to be a deliverer just like Christ. And, oh, how he, his work, how he was a law-giver, went up in the mountains and stayed forty days, come back out with the law. **And he, his besetting sin was TEMPER**; he broke the commandment. Went back up, showing that that priesthood must die, pass away.

48 Moses had a **TEMPER**, you know; **that finally kept him out of the promised land: his TEMPER.**

GOD TOOK IT AND MADE HIM BETTER MAN

**NUMBERS 12:3** (Now the man **MOSES** **was very meek**, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)

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## APOSTLE PAUL

He carried **WOUNDS** of the past

**ACTS 22:20**

And when the blood of **THY MARTYR STEPHEN** was shed, **I also was standing by, and consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him.**

**I TIMOTHY 1:13**

Who was before a **blasphemer**, a **persecutor**, and **injurious**: but I obtained mercy, because **I did it ignorantly in unbelief.**

**I CORINTHIANS 15:9 – 10**

**For I am the least** of the apostles, that **am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.** But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; **but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.**

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## BRO. BRANHAM

HERE.WE.HAVE.NO.CONTINUING.CITY\_ LITTLE.ROCK.AR 50-0200

E-47 Well, I went and had to tell her mother. And that didn't work so good. She said, "William." She said, "She's your wife. You may take her if you want to." But said, "I don't want my daughter drug out among that bunch of trash." Um. Trash?

Friends, I found out this, that what she thought was trash, is the cream of the crop. That's right. And I say that with respect. Friend, the little girl that was too good to be with that trash, **I buried her just a little after that.**

**SORROW** set in right there.

MY.LIFE.STORY\_ CLEVELAND.OH SUNDAY\_ 50-0820A

E-104 I walked in. I looked over there. She had real dark eyes and black hair: German girl. She was all doubled up like this. I looked down upon her, and just as still. I put my hand on her forehead. It was real sticky, didn't look like she had any life. I put my hand over on her head, and I said, "O God, please." I said, "That's my baby's mother. Let me tell her good-bye. Will You do it, Lord? Let me tell her good-bye. I don't want her to go without telling her good-bye. **Will You help me, dear God, if there's forgiveness in Your great heart. Will You just let me say good-bye to her?**" Her head moved. I looked down. If I live a hundred years, I'll never forget those big, dark eyes looked at me.

E-114 And I said, "Know, daddy, honey?" and her little lips trying to speak to me like this, "goo" to me, and they were quivering; she's a dying. I put my hand over on her; I said, "O God, please God, don't take her. You took my wife; You took my daddy, and You've took... O God, isn't there forgiveness in Your great heart?" I said, "Please, dear God, please spare my baby." I thought, "Whatever I've...?..." I said, "Won't You do it, Lord? Looked just looked like a black sheet begin to unfold, coming down. Oh, I knowed she was gone.

I looked at her; I thought, "Oh, my, if I had it to live over again, they would never be trash. I don't care who would..." I thought, "Oh, if I could just go back, I'd never listen to another thing anybody told me; I would listen to God and Him alone. I'd listen to Him." I said, "Lord, You gave her and You taken her away. Though You slay me, yet I'll trust You. You're still my Saviour. I love You." I'm not a baby. **But when I think about it, TEARS ME TO PIECES.**

**Bro. Branham never forgot that, but he SURRENDERED it and Became the Prophet that he was**

LIFE.STORY\_ TOLEDO.OH SUNDAY\_ 51-0722A

E-103 Oh, Father, and I've served the Lord all of my life. And I've tried with all my heart, dear Jesus, to live for You, **to do the thing, no matter what this cross is, or how scornful it seems to be.**

I love You, dear Jesus, **you've broken my heart over and over, but I love You for it.**

**"But I love You for it." There was the Key**

MY.LIFE.STORY\_ CLEVELAND.OH SUNDAY\_ 50-0820A

E-113 I'll never forget it, there laid my little eight month old darling, little Sherry, laying there. And she was **suffering so hard**, her little legs was moving up and down like that, fast.

She was **suffering so hard** till one those little baby blue eyes had crossed.

**I never could stand it to see a cross-eyed child from then. I've never seen one pass the platform but what was healed...?...** That right? **I seen four hundred and something cross-eyed children healed in six months.**

POWER.OF.TRANSFORMATION\_ PRESCOTT.AZ V-17 N-1 SUNDAY\_ 65-1031M

41 But, dear friends, I'm not young like you all, this morning. But I am old, and I have been through many **hard battles**; see; **and, by going through those hard battles, brings you where you are this morning.** See? So, I'm sure you understand that. **God has put me through it, that my life might open up a way,** to say "this is It, see," then you all run over that road. But before me, there was someone **opened up the way** for me to go. See? And we **open up the road**, one for the other. **And as you see, sometime, an old veteran getting old, and his MARKS all over him, and as Paul said one time, "I bear in my body the MARKS of Jesus Christ."** You see? How Timothy looked upon those **MARKS**, I guess, with reverence, as he commit it to young Timothy.

## WOUND SPEAKS

TOKEN\_ JEFF.IN V-2 N-19 SUNDAY\_ 63-0901M

355 Paul tells us, that, "The **BLOOD SPEAKS.**" That, anyone knows that the **BLOOD** is, actually, itself, can't **SPEAK**. It's a chemistry. Is that right? How many knows that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] But how many knows that the **BLOOD SPEAKS?** ["Amen."] If you want to put that down, **Genesis 4:10.** God said, "What about your brother?" Said, "His **BLOOD CRIES** from the earth, against you." Amen! Is that right? His **BLOOD** is a **SPEAKING.** Hallelujah!

**JOB SUFFERING COVERED A PERIOD OF ABOUT 2 YEARS**

JOB 1:21, 22

21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

22 **In all this JOB sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.**

**LOOK WHAT HE COULD SAY AFTERWARD THAT HE COULDN'T SAY BEFORE:**

JOB 19:20 - 27

20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.

21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; **for the hand of God hath TOUCHED me.**

22 Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

23 ¶ Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!

24 That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!

25 **For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:**

26 **And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:**

27 **Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.**

**HE COULD SAY THIS NOW, AFTER THE WOUNDING, FOR HIS LIFE WAS MADE SPIRITAUALLY RICHER**

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