

Sermon Series: TULIP 2019

Sermon Text: Isaiah 53:1-12 Christ Shall Be Satisfied: Limited Atonement

Christ's death effectively and fully satisfies.

1) Christ death fully satisfies the Church's need (53:1-6).

- a) Human Sin and Misery:
 - i) Blind to God's glory (vv. 1-4)
 - ii) Misery (v. 4)
 - iii) Sin (vv. 5-6)
- b) Sufficiency of Christ:
 - i) "The Arm of the LORD" (v. 1)—God's saving power
 - ii) "A Root out of dry ground" (v. 2)—rebirth of David's dynasty
 - iii) Bearing our misery (v. 4)
 - iv) Punished for our sin (vv. 5-6)
- c) **Application:**
 - i) Actual, not Potential, Effect of Christ's Death for His People:
 - ii) If Christ bears the misery away, then the misery is gone, not potentially gone.
 - iii) If Christ takes the punishment for sin, then the punishment is spent, not potentially spent.

2) Christ's death fully satisfies God's justice (53:10).

- a) God's Justice:
 - i) "The Days of Noah" (54:9)—Demonstration of God's just punishment for human sin
 - ii) Perfect Retribution (24:1-6, 21-23)—punishment fits the crime
- b) Sacrifice of Christ:
 - i) "Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush Him" (v. 10a)—Covenant of Redemption
 - ii) "He has put Him to grief" (v. 10b; cf. vv. 3, 4)
 - iii) "His soul makes an offering for guilt" (v. 10c)
- c) **Application:**
 - i) "The will of the LORD shall prosper in His hand" (v. 10e)
 - ii) God's will was to display His grace in His chosen people (Isa. 43:7; 46:13; 60:21).
 - iii) God contrasts His chosen people with those forsaken to their sin (65:8-16).
 - iv) The Servant-Son does not fail His Father, the King.

3) Christ is fully satisfied for His fully satisfying death (53:11).

- a) Christ's Work:
 - i) "Out of the anguish of His soul" (v. 11a)—His anguished soul is the source of His satisfaction
 - ii) "make many to be accounted righteous" (v. 11b)—definite and large number of people
- b) Christ's Reward:
 - i) "He shall see and be satisfied (v. 11a)— perfection of suffering guarantees reward
 - ii) "He shall see His offspring" (v. 10d)—His children live
- c) **Application:**
 - i) You, believer, are Christ's reward, Christ's child.
 - ii) Your life with Christ is beautified to enjoy peace with God and to reflect His righteousness (54:11-14).

Doxology: I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that He has granted them according to His compassion, according to the abundance of His steadfast love. (Isaiah 63:7)