

**INTRODUCTION**

1. Preach gospel & call all to repentance - Lk 24:44f. Interpret Jesus using the OT A1:3. Prevalence of citations & allusions in NT - Isaiah. Rm8:33-34a
  - i. Isa 54:17 - condemned by men, vindicated by God
  - ii. Isa 50:8-9 *condemn* - likely vss in Paul's mind in Rm 8:33-34a
2. Disciples reiterate the experience of Jesus - Phil 2:5,8b-9a. Isa 50 describes Jesus' experience & Rm 8:33-34a informs our experience as united to Jesus
3. Isa 50:4-11 = prophetic voice of Jesus [Hb 12:1-3. We are following Jesus.

**1st: The Grace to Be a Disciple - v4-5**

1. Jesus was a disciple of Lord/Father; schooled in Scripture. Listens & obeys
2. *tongue of disciple* - speaks to sustain the weary one w/ a word.
3. Daily devotion: *morning by morning*

**2nd: The Grace to Suffer as a Disciple - v6-7**

1. Physical suffering [Mat 26:67; 27:30]: courts of men & *humiliation*
2. BUT GOD - *helps Me*.
3. See His face? *humiliated* - but *set like flint*. KJV Lk 9:51. *I am not disgraced, humiliated - I know - I will not be ashamed*

**3rd: Grace to Endure Men's Condemnation Confident in God's Vindication - v8-9**

1. Awareness of Lord: v4,7,8. *He vindicates* [justifies] *Me*.
  - i. Jesus is *vindicated* by His resurrection - 1Tim 3:16.
  - ii. Our *vindication* - Rm 2:13
2. Humble confidence - Isa 50:8-9 [Rm 8:33-34a].
  - i. The world w/ it's hatred for X & condemnations, will wear out, moth-eaten

**Applic #1: Trust or Torment? - v10-11**

1. The Servant addresses us: naturally in *darkness* of sin & death.
2. v10 - you *who fear the Lord* - called to *trust*
3. v11 - you who try to dispel the darkness of death w/ lights of your own making, face the One you've condemned: you face death of eternal *torment*.
4. 51:1a - *seek Ld now while He may yet be found* [Isa 55:6]