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But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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Who was Christ?

Who was Christ? A question for the ages. Yes, He was the Son of God. Yes, He was the Messiah. Yes, He was a Prophet. Yes, He died, was buried, arose, and ascended. But who was He?

As Christmas approaches many people have their own thoughts on when He was born, why He was born, why He died, did He raise from the grave, and did He ascend. However this year, I want us to focus on who He was and not get bogged down with the typical arguments we have with the people of the world.

There are many differing beliefs in the world today on this topic. Jews believe He was nothing more than a good person, some do not even go that far. Muslim's believe that He was nothing more than a Prophet. Buddhist's, Hindu's, and those like them have varying degrees on who Jesus was. Even among biblical Christians, who He was is a means for debate.

Yet, when we get past the surface level as described above, what do we find? Who was He, what was He, and how important is He? Over the next two weeks, we will dissect Isaiah 53. How did the Prophet describe who Christ is, was, and would be? What did the Prophet say He would do, why He was born, and what He would become? This holiday season take Isaiah's words, let them ring in your heart, and find solace in knowing Christ.

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* Isaiah 53

- * Who has believed our report and Whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

Deuteronomy 26 : 6—8

- * Not be appearance

Man views by his eyes. God views the heart.

- * Despised and rejected

Matthew 21 : 33—42

- * Man of Sorrows

Luke 22 : 44

- * He bore our grief

I Peter 2 : 24; I John 2 : 2

- * He carried our sorrows

Colossians 2 : 13—14

- * We esteemed Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted

Mathew 27 : 15—26

- * Wounded, Bruised, Chastised, Stripes for us

Matthew 26—27; Mark 15; John 19

- * God laid on Him our iniquity

Hebrews 10 : 5—10