

## The Suffering and Sacrificial King

"Advent 2021"

[\(Isaiah 52:13-53:12\)](#)

Introductions:

- The Book of Judges and the Need for the King
- The Who, What, When, Where, and Why of Isaiah 53

***Christ's suffering leads to glory. (Isaiah 52:13-15)***

- A. He will be exalted ([13](#)).
- B. His exaltation will follow his humiliation ([14, 15](#)).

***Christ's suffering is offensive. (Isaiah 53:1-3)***

- A. His suffering is unbelievable ([53:1](#)).
- B. His suffering is unrecognized ([53:2-3](#)).

***Christ's suffering is vicarious. (Isaiah 53:4-6)***

- A. His suffering is punishment for us ([53:4](#)).
- B. His suffering is redemptive for us ([53:5-6](#)).

***Christ's suffering is accepted. (Isaiah 53:7-9)***

- A. His suffering is endured silently ([53:7](#)).
- B. His suffering is in spite of His innocence (53:8-9).

***Christ's suffering was efficacious. (Isaiah 53:11-12)***

- A. His suffering was God's will ([53:11](#)).
- B. His suffering results in our justification ([53:12](#)).

***Jesus Christ sacrificially gave His life  
as a substitute for us.***

## Next Steps

- I will take time to **remember** that the birth of Christ led to His suffering for me.
- I will take time to **reflect** on the fact that the suffering of Christ will lead to His glory.

## This Week's Growth Guide

God's Word is both central and critical to your spiritual growth. We invite you to utilize the Growth Guide during the week to further your application of the Truth from the message.

- **Monday** - [Isaiah 52:13-15](#)
- **Tuesday** - [Isaiah 53:1-3](#)
- **Wednesday** - [Isaiah 53:4-6](#)
- **Thursday** - [Isaiah 53:7-9](#)
- **Friday** - [Isaiah 53:10-12](#)

## Home Church

Our Home Churches meet weekly to facilitate quicker relational depth, study the same passage taught Sunday to help apply Scripture in the context of community, and pray with one another. ***Home Church helps our body seek God's best for one another.***

## Home Church Questions

- How could the Jews miss this clear prediction of Messiah's suffering?
- Do you think there are things that are equally clear that we miss about Jesus?
- How can we follow the example of Christ and suffer like He did?
- How is it impossible for us to follow the example of Christ and suffer like He did?
- What can we learn from the fact that suffering was God's will for Jesus?
- Is there a verse here that would be profitable to memorize as a group? Work on it together for ten minutes.
- How has advent been different for you this year?
- How can you make it different than previous years?
- How can you make advent different than the world's version of Christmas?

## **Finances**

Weekly Budget 28,846  
Giving For 11/28 15,526  
Giving For 12/05 31,465

YTD Budget 663,462  
YTD Giving 640,698  
over (22,765)

## **Generations Campaign**

Total Pledge 1,535,065  
Received-to-date 1,620,102

## **Christmas Offering**

Please keep Fellowship in mind as you consider your end-of-the-year gifts. This year our Christmas Offering will be used to benefit the Ministry Center's new facility and support our Year of Missions in 2022, as we host all of our missionaries here in Conway throughout the year.

## **New to Fellowship?**

We are so glad that you joined the Fellowship Family to worship this morning. If you are joining us for the first time or have been checking us out for a few weeks, we are excited you are here and would love to meet you. Please fill out the "Connect" section of your bulletin, tear it off, and bring it to the Connection Center in the Atrium, we would love to say "hi" and give you a gift.

## **Christmas Eve**

Join us Christmas Eve for a candlelight service at either 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. Bring the kids in their pj's and enjoy celebrating the birth of Jesus.

## **Angel Tree**

Today is the day. If you selected a tag last week to provide for a family but forgot to bring it with you this morning, please drop off for wrapping in the Atrium at 6:00 pm tonight. Contact Michael if you have questions.

## **Join a Small Group**

Coming in January! If you haven't had an opportunity to seek out and join a Home Church, January is a great time to jump in! For more information, go to [fellowshipconway.org/homechurch](http://fellowshipconway.org/homechurch).

## **Perspectives Conway | Begins January 20 | 6:00-9:00 PM**

God has a "world-sized" role for every Christian in His global purpose. Whether people go to distant countries or stay at home is a secondary issue. The primary issue is what most people are hungry to discover: a vision to live a life of purpose—finding that vision makes this course valuable and perhaps crucial for any Christian.

Perspectives is a discipleship course that takes you through the Bible, back in time, and across the globe. Pastors, theologians, missiologists, and mobilizers challenge and inspire as they help bring the course content to life through their personal experience and expertise. You will join a community of believers as you journey together to understand better who God is, what He is doing, and your role within that. Perspectives will encourage and challenge you to live on purpose, with purpose.

*For more information, contact Ryan Howell at [centralarperspectives@gmail.com](mailto:centralarperspectives@gmail.com)*

**December 26**

Following Christmas, we will have one Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. All children and youth will join their parents in worship.

**A Place For You**

Finding just the right area to serve can sometimes be intimidating, but knowing what opportunities are available and the time commitment is to fulfill the role could help you make the right connection. Go to [fellowshipconway.org/serve](http://fellowshipconway.org/serve) to see current and ongoing service opportunities for a good fit and try out what interests you.