

Lesson Notes:

## **The Sorrows of Christ**

Our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ demonstrated a love for us that is unparalleled in human history. Jesus loved us and died for our sins in spite of suffering rejection, loneliness and constant sorrow in his life.

### **Scriptural Principles**

- 1) **He is despised and rejected of Men. – Isaiah 53:3-9; Matthew 26:55-56; Matthew 26:67-68** – The prophet Isaiah describes the rejection of Jesus and what he endured during his mission on earth. When the Pharisees came to the Garden of Gethsemane to take Jesus they carried clubs and swords and his own disciples fled. And the Sanhedrin spat on him, mocked him and slapped him.
- 2) **Jesus was a Man of compassion – John 11:33-35; Luke 18:35-42** He wept at Lazarus Sister' sorrows and he healed the poor and down trodden.
- 3) **Our Sorrow and death is caused by our own sin. – Genesis 3:13, 15-19** – As a result of our original sin we experience death and sorrow.
- 4) **In contrast Jesus was without sin and his sorrows were a result of him baring our sins. – Hebrews 4:14-16; Hebrews 9:26 -28**
- 5) **Jesus carried the sorrow of “loneliness”. – Matthew 26:35-41(Garden of Gethsemane); Luke 2:46-50 (Mary did not understand him). – John 19:25-27 – His loneliness on the cross.** – The disciples did not even stay awake with him during the hours just prior to his arrest. His parents did not fully understand his “purpose” and “calling” when Jesus was 12 and in Jerusalem during the feast of passover. In a courageous act of love while suffering and dying on the cross he makes provision for the care of his own mother.
- 6) **He received no Love in return for the Love he showed humankind. – Matthew 23:37; Isaiah 53:2** – Rejected by Jew and gentile alike.
- 7) **Jesus carried the Sorrow of our Sin – Isaiah 53:5-6**