

Christ Gave Himself to Suffer

I. The CHALLENGE to Israel

*“Zion said, The Lord
hath forsaken me...*

➡ God's appeal

*“Behold, for your iniquities have **ye sold**
yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put
away*

➡ God's plea

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➡ *“For thy **Maker** is thine husband; the LORD of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called. For the LORD hath called thee as a **woman forsaken** and grieved in spirit, and a **wife of youth**, when thou wast refused, saith thy God. For a **small moment** have I **forsaken thee**; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a **little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment**; but with everlasting **kindness** will I have **mercy** on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer”*

“Maker... the LORD of hosts... the Holy One of Israel

*“a woman forsaken and... a wife of youth
“a small moment”*

“moment”

*“a small moment”
a small moment”*

*“Surely as a wife treacherously **departeth** from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD”*

“her a bill of divorcement”

¹ The root word of “divorce” is *diverse* / *divert*. Diverse means to turn aside or to be different. Strictly speaking, divorce is to turn to a different way. A parting of the ways.

*“I will go and return to my
FIRST HUSBAND; for then was it better with me than
now”*

*“Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy
land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called
Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in
thee, and thy land shall be married. For as a young man
marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and as the
bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice
over thee”*

II. The CRUELTY on the Messiah

The HEARING of Christ
the learned.”
*this man letters, **having never learned?**”*

*“the tongue of
How knoweth*



_____ *“me the tongue of the learned, that I
should know how to speak speak a word in season to him
that is weary?”*

The HUMILIATION of Christ

GAVE

*“For **consider him** that
ENDURED such a **contradiction** of sinners against him-
self...”*

*Christ also hath once SUF-
FERED for sins, **the JUST for the UNJUST**, that he might
bring us to God...”*

*“He steadfastly set his
face to go to Jerusalem*

➡
versary?"
near to me."

*"...who is mine ad-
 ...let him come*

The HELPING of Christ

the Lord God will help me

*"...therefore shall I not be confounded...I shall not be
 ashamed."*

"He is near that JUSTIFIETH me..."

➡ **Some spiritual applications to Christians today**

III. The CONSEQUENCES we face

APPEAL

*"Let him trust in the name of
 the Lord, and stay upon his God."*

ADMONITION

"lie down in sorrow."

² Although unsaved Roman soldiers crucified Christ, they were being used by the devil (Eph. 2:2; 1 Cor. 2:8).