



**Pleased to Crush Him?**



The tragic jolt of Good Friday meets  
the triumphant joy of Easter Sunday

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*Isaiah 53:10 Message*

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# The Lord delights...

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- “to make the law great and glorious” (Isa 42:21)
- in Messiah (Ps 22:8)
- in sacrifices made by a broken and contrite heart (Ps 51:19)
- in “lovingkindness, justice, and righteousness” (Jer 9:24)
- “in loyalty rather than sacrifice” (Hos 6:6)
- “in unchanging love” (Micah 7:18)
- His people “delight in the nearness of God” (Isa 58:2)



It was unto death (Isa 53:8, 9, 12)

It “is used of people being trampled to death, the infliction and enduring of crushing agonies ending in death” (Alec Motyer, *The Prophecy of Isaiah*, p. 430)



**“To Crush”**

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If the Son of His love (Col 1:13) had to die in our place, then our sin is indeed very great!



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Jesus' sacrifice demonstrated God's righteousness so "that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Rom 3:23-26)





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“in the very moment when God’s curse rested most heavily on Jesus because of sin, the Father’s love for his Son reached explosive proportions” (John Piper, *The Pleasures of God*, p. 176)



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# God's deep, deep love for us

“the heart of God is revealed in his delight, even at such a cost” (Alec Motyer, *The Prophecy of Isaiah*, p. 438)

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“the Father bruised the Son...because he wanted to show us mercy. He wanted to forgive and heal and save and rejoice over us with loud singing” (John Piper, *The Pleasures of God*, p. 162)



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- III. Then glorious results will come





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- Jesus will complete His Father's pleasure





# The Triumph of Jesus

“through this death the blessings of redemption and the fulfillment of the pleasure of God are brought to pass” (E. J. Young, *The Book of Isaiah*, vol. 3, p. 356)

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“In the case of the Servant...death ushers him into sovereign dignity and power, with his own hand administering the saving purposes of the Lord, and as victor taking the spoil” (Alec Motyer, *Isaiah*, p. 440-1)

