

Isaiah 53:1-3

## Jesus Misunderstood

*Word of the Day: Misunderstood*

### 1. Misunderstood what they heard about Jesus

*John 12:37-43*

- The Arm of the Lord is the strength that God displays and He displayed it in the escape from Egypt in Exodus 15:16 and to defeat the Babylonians in Isaiah 40:10

### 2. Misunderstood What He would be like.

*Isaiah 11:1, John 10:33, Luke 9:23 -26*

- Kings Saul attracted people by his physical stature (1 Samuel 9:20) and David was known to be good looking and handsome (1 Samuel 16:12)
- Jesus was a tender plant which meant that He was going to be a child and it is also referring to Isaiah 11:1 which predicted that He would come from the line of King David
- Jesus would be easily ignored and dismissed simply because He did not fit the idea of what they wanted Jesus to be like.

### 3. Misunderstood so they rejected Him

*Matthew 13:53-57, Matthew 9:10-13, Luke 17:7-10*

- Psalm 22 and 69 shows Jesus as a rejected and suffering Messiah
- Jesus continued to confront them with what they believed. (Matthew 22 and 23)
- Jesus cleansed the temple of money changers twice who were exploiting the people for their own gain and they questioned where He received His authority. (Matthew 21; John 2)
- Man of sorrows: personally, experienced sorrow. John 13:34
- They rejected Him because they were lovers of money (Luke 16:14; Matthew 6:24)
- They rejected Him because they were more concerned about their social status (Matthew 23; Luke 14:7-14; Matthew 10:33)
- They rejected Him because they were worried about their reputation (Luke 18:9-14)
- They rejected Him because they wanted to be served and not serve (Luke 22:24-27)

### Closing Points

- When we misunderstand Jesus we miss out on who He was and what He accomplished.
- Everything about Jesus goes against what our human nature could possibly believe.
- Although it may be difficult to understand and we can make the case that we will never fully understand this side of Heaven, it is still our responsibility to share it with everyone we meet.

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*John 15:5*



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### Family Devotions

1. What are some things that people wrongly believe about Jesus?
2. Why is it difficult for some people to accept that God came to earth as a human?
3. What are all the things that happened to Jesus while on earth according to verse 3?
4. Why do people reject Jesus?
5. What does Matthew 10:33 tell us happens to people who reject Jesus ?