

A long, straight stone-paved road lined with ancient columns in a sunny, open landscape. The columns are made of light-colored stone and are arranged in a row on both sides of the road. The road is paved with large, rectangular stones. In the background, there are some buildings and a hillside with green vegetation. The sky is clear and blue.

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RESURRECTION

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The King You Didn't Expect

**“HOSANNA!”**

**“Blessed is the King of Israel that  
comes in the name of the Lord.”**

***John 12:13***

# **BIG IDEA**

**Jesus is King**

**but not the kind of king we  
naturally want**

**1. We want a King who fits our expectations (vv. 1-5).**

**“Thorns and thistles it shall  
bring forth for you.”**



A close-up photograph of a crown of thorns, a symbol of suffering and sacrifice. The thorns are made of dry, brown, woody branches with sharp, reddish-brown thorns. They are arranged in a circular shape, resembling a crown. The crown is resting on a light-colored wooden surface. The background is dark and out of focus.

**“Thorns and thistles it shall  
bring forth for you.”**

**He wears what  
we caused.**

**If Jesus doesn't meet  
your expectations, will  
you still trust Him?**

**Our disappointment with  
God is often rooted in  
expectations God never  
promised to meet.**

## **2. We reject the King when He doesn't match what we want (vv. 6-11).**

- Jesus is not losing control – He is exercising it.**
- This is not a tragedy spinning out of control – this is a Savior carrying out a plan.**
- Just because God's plan is painful doesn't mean it's not purposeful.**

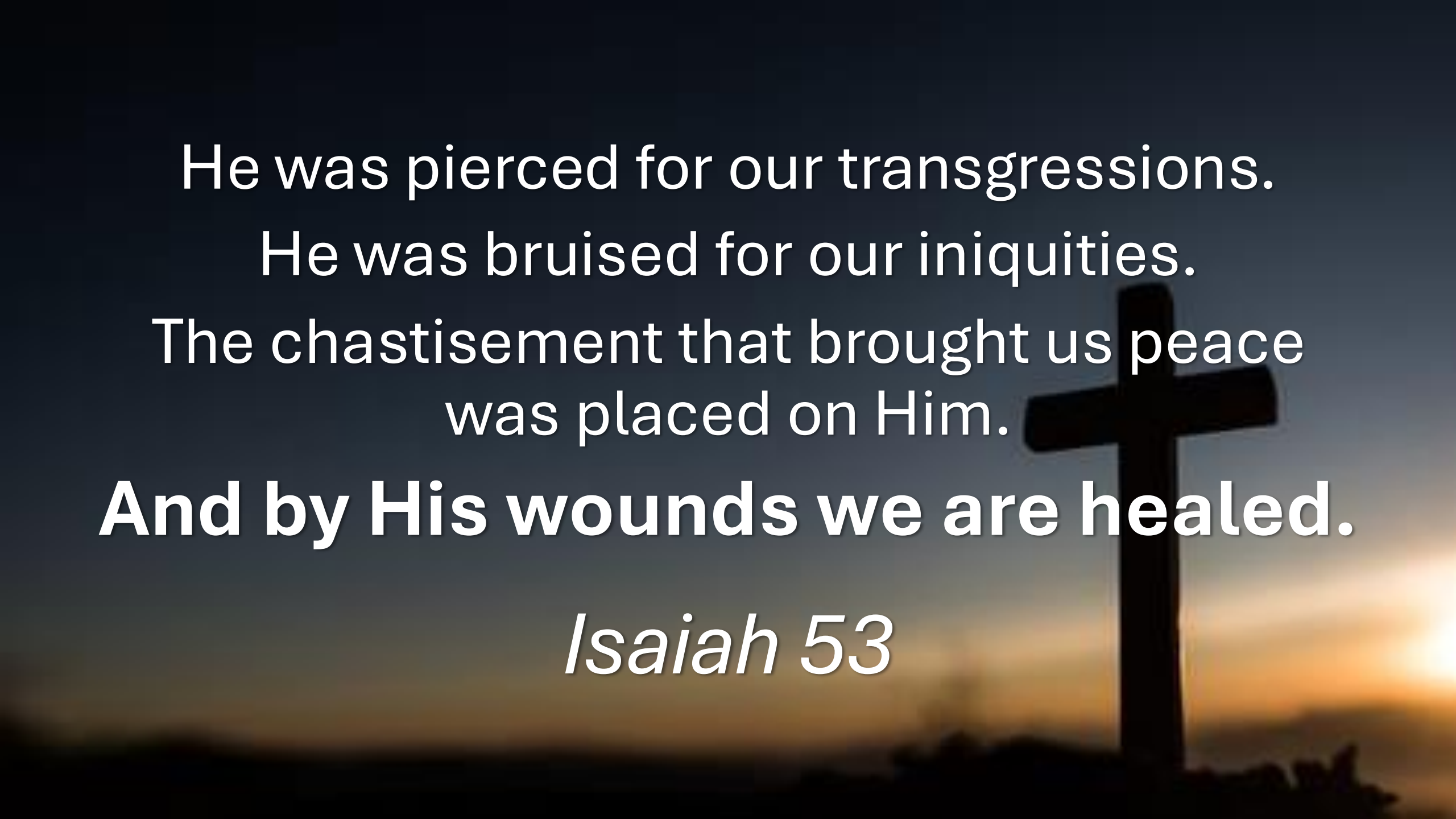
**3. The King we rejected chose the cross to receive us (vv. 12-16).**

- **If Jesus isn't your King, something else already is.**
- **Whatever you won't surrender to Jesus is already ruling you.**

**excruciating**

*“out of the cross”*



A silhouette of a cross is positioned on the right side of the image, set against a background of a sunset or sunrise. The sky is a mix of dark blue and orange, with the sun's glow visible on the right. The cross is a simple, dark silhouette.

He was pierced for our transgressions.  
He was bruised for our iniquities.  
The chastisement that brought us peace  
was placed on Him.  
**And by His wounds we are healed.**

*Isaiah 53*