

It Pleased The Lord To Bruise Him!



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“Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him” – Isaiah 53:10

If you notice, throughout the Scriptures, Jesus continuously teaches in parables (Luke 8:10).

He taught the people in the natural so that they might understand (the ones that had ears to hear and eyes to see) what He was teaching them in the spiritual.

With that said, let’s move into this short but powerful topic.

There’s a statement in the Scriptures that is confounding to many, where it says, *“It pleased the Lord to bruise Him.”* What can that possibly mean? On the one hand, God was heard audibly saying “This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased” (Matthew 3:17). Also, in Luke 9:35 it tells us, *“This is my beloved Son: hear Him.”*

How could the great God of the universe find any pleasure in bruising His own Son?

These are the kind of facts that the critics today among us protest saying that the biblical doctrine of the atonement is a primitive form of some sort of child abuse. It’s unworthy of God to take pleasure in bruising His own Son. No, it isn’t! No, it isn’t!

The pleasure that God takes in bruising Jesus is not some sadistic glee that the Father has in inflicting pain upon His Son, it is the pleasure of God who is determined from the foundation of the world to bring about your salvation and mine through the precious blood of the appointed Redeemer. God is pleased to bruise His Son because of the value of the bruise! That saves us from our sins.

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