

## **Notes on Isaiah 50:1-52:12**

Introduction: Remember the prior Servant songs: 42:1-9; 49:1-13. Each of these has conveyed important features of God's Servant to come. Now we add to that picture the third song: Is. 50:4-11. In this song we see the Servant's preparation and qualifications for his role as prophet of God.

### **The Servant speaks. He has a:**

A Disciple's tongue and ear, v. 4

The prophet of God is ready both to listen to God and speak for Him.

His message comes daily (morning to morning)

The message is uplifting to the weary

A submissive spirit, v. 5

Understanding from Jehovah

Willingness to obey

A life of suffering, v. 6

A back given to beatings

Cheek to those who pluck the beard

Spat upon and humiliated

A determined disposition, v. 7

Set my face like flint

I will not be ashamed

For the Lord helps me

A confident outlook, v. 8-9

Challenges the enemies to battle

Note the courage and confidence of truth

Assurance of victory; thus, exhortations to believers and unbelievers

To believers: Trust in the Lord

To unbelievers: You will lie down in torment

### **The fulfillment: Jesus, God's Servant**

Note Peter's application of Isaiah's terminology to Jesus, Ac. 3:26; 4:27,30. He is the prophet like unto Moses and the Servant of Jehovah.

The disciplined ear and tongue--Jn. 3:34; 8:24; 12:49

A submissive disposition--Jn. 5:30, 8:55

A life of suffering--

A determined disposition--Lk. 9:51

Confident outlook--Jn. 12:31-32