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The Names of Love - Part 37 - Man of Sorrows - Ish Makoboth

Isa. 53:2-3, "For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him. He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him."

This name of Jesus literally means "The Servant of God, The Son of Man, A Man Of Sorrows" Matt. 20:28, "just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Jesus was foretold in Isaiah as the Man who would suffer for the people. Instead of being a King Who would come and have all bow down to Him, Jesus came to serve and to give His life up for us. He was not a monarch that people would grovel before, but instead He was a servant Who gave His life as a ransom. Isa. 53:4-5, "Surely our griefs He Himself bore, and our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed."

Jesus gave His life. He did not give it begrudgingly, but instead, He gladly gave it for you and for me. He stripped Himself of power so that a deeper power could be at work taking away the deadly effects of our sin. He was and is our Suffering Servant, A Man of Sorrows. He carried the weight of the sins of the world and paid for them upon the cruel cross. Why would anyone do this? The only possibility is the greatest love anyone could ever have. And, that was Jesus! Dear Father, You have shown us Your great love by letting us see it in Jesus. You took on all of my shame. You took on all of my pain. You took on all of my sin and punishment because of Your great love. Thank You Jesus! In Jesus Name, Amen