

Moorhouse saw this as a picture of his relationship to God and the burdens of ministry he was carrying. But praise God, he could proceed with confidence, knowing that the Lord was carrying him.

Almighty God, who promised to carry Israel (Isa. 46:4), is the One who can carry us. Even though we must fulfill our responsibilities, we have the assurance of His never-failing support. We need not sink beneath the weight of our burdens.

Ask the Savior to help you. He will carry your burdens--and you. --HGB

*Nothing is too small for Him to carry,
Take your burdens to Jesus;
Nothing is too great, why longer tarry?
Take your burdens to Him. --Oliver*

No burden is too heavy for the everlasting arms.



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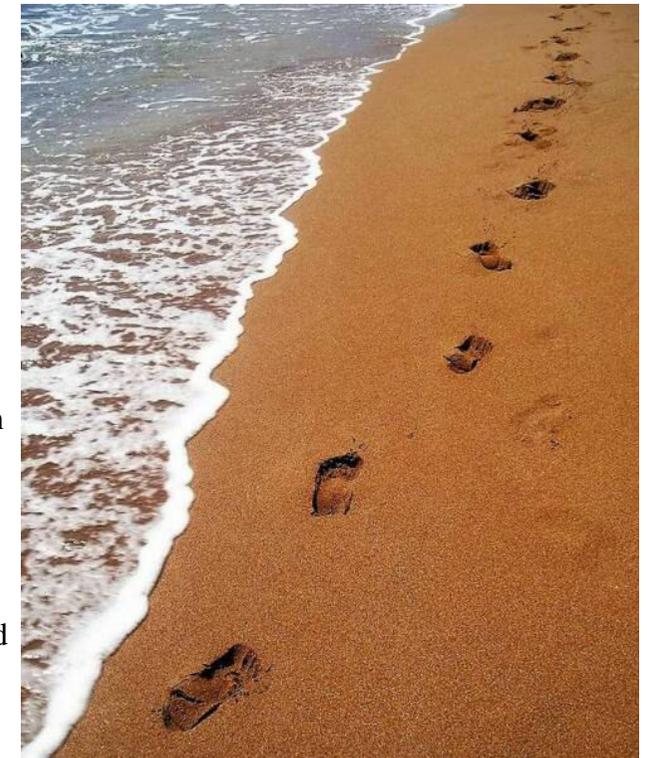
Carried By God

I will carry you! . . . Even I will carry, and will deliver you. --Isaiah 46:4

Henry Moorhouse, the 19th-century English evangelist, was feeling loaded down with the burdens of his ministry. Then the Lord gave him a tender reminder of His care.

When he came home one day, his young daughter, Minnie, whose legs were paralyzed, was sitting in her wheelchair. He was going to take a package upstairs to his wife when his daughter asked if she could carry it. Moorhouse said, "Minnie dear, how can you possibly carry the package? You cannot even carry yourself."

With a smile on her face, Minnie said, "I know, Papa. But if you will give me the package, I will hold it while you carry me."



Meat Suffering



There are three periods of the Messiah's life described in Isaiah 53:

1. His _____ life, verses 1-3

◆ His beginning: _____, verse 2

◆ His appearance: _____, verse 2

◆ His popularity: _____, verse 3

(John 6:64-66) "But there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who would betray Him. {65} And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father." {66} From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more."

(Matthew 23:37) "'O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!"

◆ His life: _____, verse 3

(John 1:11) "He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him."



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2. His _____, verses 4-12

◆ His love: bearing _____, verse 4

(Matthew 8:16-17) "When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, {17} that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses.""

◆ His substitution: _____, verses 5-6, 8, 10-12

(John 19:34-37) "But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. {35} And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe. {36} For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "Not one of His bones shall be broken." {37} And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they pierced.""

(Genesis 3:15) "And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.""

(John 19:1) "So then Pilate took Jesus and scourged Him."

(Romans 5:1) "Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,"

◆ His meekness: in _____, verse 7

(Matthew 26:63-64) "But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!" {64} Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven.""

(Matthew 27:12-14) "And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing. {13} Then Pilate said to Him, "Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?" {14} But He answered him not one word, so that the governor marveled greatly."

(1 Peter 2:23) "who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;"



◆ His execution: yet _____, verses 8-9

3. His _____ life, verses 10-12