

**“Jesus – The Unexpected King”**

**Mark 15:6-15    Isaiah 53:1-10**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**December 5, 2021**

**Jesus Was A \_\_\_\_\_ King**  
**Isaiah 53:1-3**

**Jesus Was The \_\_\_\_\_ King**  
**Mark 15:1-15**

**Jesus Is The \_\_\_\_\_ King**  
**Isaiah 53:4-5**

### **Next Steps For Next Week:**

The Messiah, or God's Anointed One, did not arrive in the expected way and did not do the expected things. As a result, most people missed the signs that Jesus was the Savior. Too often we miss out on what God is doing because we have an expectation-reality gap. Our expectations do not match with God's reality. When this happens, it is always best to trust God's reality as revealed in the Bible.

**Monday: Read John 3:1-21** Nicodemus is one of the religious leaders in Jerusalem. He was one of the few leaders that were curious about Jesus being the Messiah. How does Jesus respond to his "questions?" What questions do you have for Jesus? What can you do to get answers to your questions?

**Tuesday: Read Isaiah 53:1-3** How was Jesus despised and rejected by the people in the 1<sup>st</sup> century? How is Jesus despised & rejected today? When have you despised and/or rejected Jesus?

**Wednesday: Read Isaiah 7:14 & Matthew 1:18-25** Matthew definitely sees Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah's Messianic prophecy. Jesus is "God with us." Take a few moments to write down how have you experienced "God with you" this past year. Thank God for His constant presence in your life.

**Thursday: Read Mark 15:1-15** Most of the people rejected Jesus to the point where they participated in His crucifixion. What are the ways people "passively" reject Jesus? What are some ways people "actively" rejected Jesus as God's gift to the world?

**Friday: Read Isaiah 53:4-5** Most people want to experience peace... true peace on earth and in their own lives. What did Jesus do to bring us peace?

**Saturday: Read Romans 5:6-8** How has God demonstrated His love to you? Listen to the song "I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day." How have you experienced God's peace?

**Sunday: Read John 1:9-13** Do you recognize Jesus as the King? What does it mean to be "born of God?" Have you "received" Jesus? Have you truly "believed" in Him?