


# The Power of the Cross



# After the Last Supper

- ▶ The Jewish leaders plotted to kill Jesus.
  - ▶ Judas betrayed Jesus for money.
  - ▶ Peter denied Jesus 3 times.
  - ▶ The disciples fled and left Jesus alone.
  - ▶ Jesus was arrested and put on trial where he was sentenced to die.
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# The prophecies fulfilled

▶ Isaiah 53:

<sup>4</sup> He suffered the things we should have suffered.

He took on himself the pain that should have been ours.

But we thought God was punishing him.

We thought God was wounding him and making him suffer.

# The prophecies fulfilled

<sup>5</sup> But the servant was pierced because we had sinned. He was crushed because we had done what was evil. He was punished to make us whole again. His wounds have healed us.

<sup>6</sup> All of us are like sheep. We have wandered away from God. All of us have turned to our own way. And the LORD has placed on his servant the sins of all of us.

# The prophecies fulfilled

<sup>8</sup> He was arrested and sentenced to death.  
Then he was taken away.  
He was cut off from this life.  
He was punished for the sins of my people.

<sup>10</sup> The LORD says, “It was my plan to crush him  
and cause him to suffer.  
I made his life an offering to pay for sin.  
But he will see all his children after him.  
In fact, he will continue to live.  
My plan will be brought about through him.



# Just as the Lord said.....



Sentenced to death

Crushed for our evil



Pierced for our sins



# Why did Jesus have to die?

- ▶ What separates us from God?



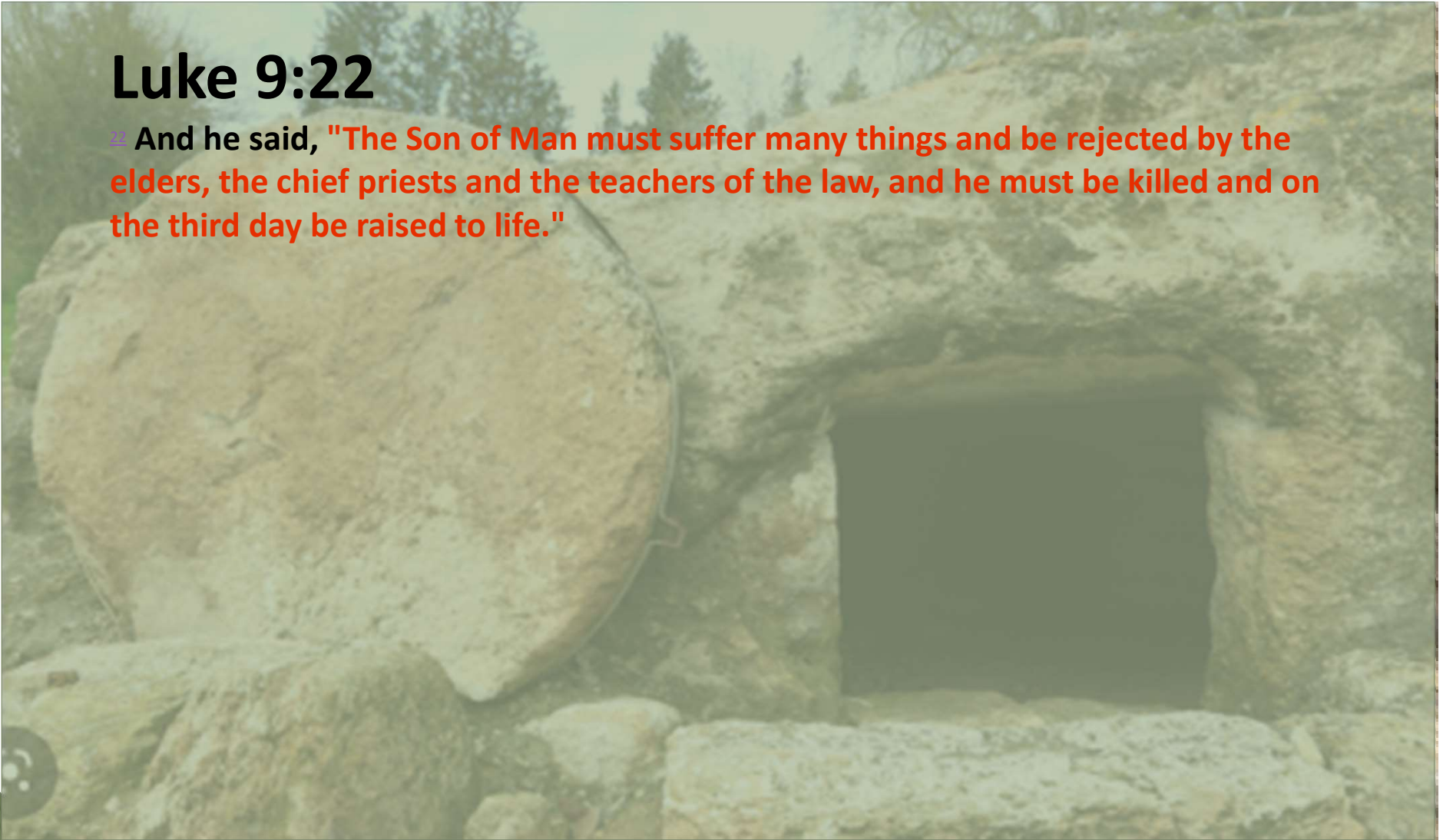
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# Then, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day....

## Luke 9:22

☛ And he said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."





# Questions

- ▶ On the day of atonement, what would the priest do?
  - ▶ When exactly did the veil tear in half?
  - ▶ What did the tearing of the veil represent?
  - ▶ What can we do so that we are not separated from God?
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