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Series Title: When Silence Speaks
Key Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-12
Recorded Sermon: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yh-aQenqrNY
Date + Speaker: April 3, 2026; Pastor Mark Scarr

Starter: Imagine living through the 400-year silence between the old and new Testaments. How do you think it felt? Have you heard God speak to you through silence, like Elijah? (1 Kings 19:12)

Discussion:

1. The silence of some people speaks of their rejection. (Isa 53:1-3). How can staying silent show our rejection either of God, or of the world?

2. How does an understanding of "when silence speaks" help us understand what God is saying to us in the seasons of silence? How does silence speak to us?

3. God was silent while His Son suffered (Isaiah 53:4-10). What are the implications of this when we face ongoing struggles?

4. Jesus stayed silent in submission (Isaiah 53:7-9). When He did speak, it was forgiveness for His tormentors (Luke 23:24). How can being silent show obedience to God's will, and guide how we pray for "difficult" people around us?

5. Jesus was silent, but not weak. How can we show strength in being silent?

6. The silence of the grave represents waiting in between (Isaiah 53:9). What does this teach us about what to do while waiting for our miracle?

7. The silence ended when Jesus rose to life (Isaiah 53:10). How does this give us hope? How does the preceding silence lead to this silence-breaking victory (Psalm 46:10)

Diving Deeper:

8. Pastor Mark shared (see note below) how Jesus was wounded in his body corresponding to the various aspects of our lives (Isaiah 53:5). How do we benefit from the wounds that He bore for our healing?

Additional Notes:

8. Jesus bled from His body in 7 different places to heal every part of your life:
   1. From His SKIN in the Garden of Gethsemane (Luke 22:42-44).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your WILL.
   2. From His FACE when they tore His beard (Isaiah 50:6; 53:2-3).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your SELF-IMAGE.
   3. From His HEAD when they put the crown of thorns on Him (Matthew 27:29).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your MIND.
   4. From His BACK when He was flogged (Matthew 27:26, Isaiah 53:5).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your BODY.
   5. From His HANDS when they put nails in them (John 20:25; Isaiah 53:5).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your WORK.
   6. From His FEET when He was crucified (Psalm 22:16, Luke 24:39; Isaiah 53:5).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your WALK.
   7. From His SIDE when the guard stabbed Him (John 19:34; Isaiah 53:5).
   Jesus bled for the healing of your FAMILY.