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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 148

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by **His lifting love**. **Isa. 53:4-5** “***Surely He took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered Him punished by God, stricken by Him, and afflicted. But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.***”

The Hebrew term for *took up* is **na sa** which means *to lift, to carry, to take, or to forgive a debt*. Have you ever needed to move something and grabbed ahold of it immediately realizing that it was way too heavy for you to move by yourself? Just the other night, our freezer quit on us and when we found out, most of the food in it had already thawed and started leaking on the garage floor. Needless to say, it wasn't our favorite evening activity. So we started throwing things away in a large trash can. Then it was time to get the trash out to our dumpster. And that was the time that I knew, this was way too much to lift by myself.

When you think of the weight of your sins multiplied by all the sins of all the people who have and will ever live, then you can begin to imagine the crushing weight our sins brought upon our Savior. But He took up our pain and our suffering and was pierced and crushed because of them.

John 15:13 “***Greater love has no one than this: that He would lay down His life for His friends.***”

Dear Father, thank You for giving us Jesus to bear our pain and suffering by taking our transgressions and our iniquities and paying for them with His perfect, sinless blood. That is truly amazing grace. In Jesus Name, Amen