

Scripture

Isaiah 50:4-11 (NLT)

The Lord's Obedient Servant

4 The Sovereign Lord has given me his words of wisdom, so that I know how to comfort the weary.

Morning by morning he wakens me and opens my understanding to his will.

5 The Sovereign Lord has spoken to me, and I have listened.

I have not rebelled or turned away.

6 I offered my back to those who beat me
and my cheeks to those who pulled
out my beard.

I did not hide my face from mockery
and spitting.

7 Because the Sovereign Lord helps me,
I will not be disgraced.

Therefore, I have set my face like a
stone, determined to do his will.

And I know that I will not be put to
shame.

- 8 He who gives me justice is near.
Who will dare to bring charges
against me now?
Where are my accusers?
Let them appear!
- 9 See, the Sovereign Lord is on my side!
Who will declare me guilty?
All my enemies will be destroyed
like old clothes that have been eaten
by moths!

10 Who among you fears the Lord
and obeys his servant?

If you are walking in darkness,
without a ray of light,
trust in the Lord
and rely on your God.

11 But watch out, you who live in your own
light and warm yourselves by your own
fires.

This is the reward you will receive from
me:

You will soon fall down in great torment.