

## **“The King of Discerning Human Depravity.”**

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Lutheran reformers in the sixteenth century wrote a document called the Solid Declaration. It speaks of original sin as a *“horrible, inherited disease corrupting [people’s] entire nature...and fountain head of all actual sins. Luther called this ‘nature sin’ or person sin.”* Solid Declaration; ARTICLE

1. *“... Well do I know how treacherous you are; you were called a rebel from birth.* Isaiah 48:8

2. *“... I reared children and brought them up, but they have rebelled against me.... Woe to the sinful nation, a people whose guilt is great, a brood of evil doers, children given to corruption! They have forsaken the Lord; they have spurned the Holy One of Israel. ...Your whole head is injured, your whole heart afflicted. From the sole of your foot to the top of your head there is no soundness ...”* Isaiah 1:2-6

3. *“... everyone is ungodly and wicked ...”* Isaiah 9:17

4. *“The earth is defiled by its people; they have disobeyed the laws, violated the statutes and broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore a curse consumes the earth; its people must bear their guilt...”* Isaiah 24:5-6

5. *“The earth reels like a drunkard, it sways like a hut in the wind; so heavy upon it is the guilt of its rebellion ...”* Isaiah 24:20

6. *“We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us have turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.* Isaiah 53:6

7. *“All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; ... our sins sweep us away.”* Isaiah 64:6-7

8. *“... he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors.. For he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.”* Isaiah 53:12

9. *“Come now, let us settle the matter” says the Lord. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.* Isaiah 1:18

### **ISAIAH 53**