

# OPINION

## The Prophet's Easter Story

WHO hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?

For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

He was taken from prison and from judgment; and who shall declare his generation? For he was cut off out of the land of the living; for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief; when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.

He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied; by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death; and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. Isaiah 53



**Now Is The Time**  
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### To Read Pesticide Labels

The rules of pesticide spraying are changing. The pesticide label is required reading before any application is made.

Invest the extra time to read the pesticide label a second time. Never make any application that is not on the label. Also, wear and use all the protective clothing and equipment listed on the label.

The label is a legal document and must be followed. You cannot afford an accident. The fines, criminal penalties, and emotional stress could cost you your family and farm.

The information on the label has been tested and reviewed for your safety. Follow the label and do not improvise. The costs are too high!

### To Keep Pesticide Records

Certified pesticide applicators must begin keeping pesticide application records in a new way. These records must be kept for all restricted use pesticides for two years after the application is made.

In addition, the information about applications must be recorded no later than 14 days following application. What must be included in the records are 1. the brand name or product name, 2. the EPA registration number, 3. the

ingham County Fairgrounds, Harrisonburg, Va.

Saturday, April 22

70th Annual Penn State Dairy Science Club Exposition, Ag Arena, University Park, 8:30 a.m.

Second Annual Marico Llama and Alpaca Festival, Tolland Ag Center, Vernon, Conn., thru April 23.

Northeast Ratite Association Seminar, Best Western Inn, (Turn to Page A39)

total amount of pesticide applied, 4. the size of the area treated, 5. the crop, commodity, stored product or site to which the application was made, 6. the location of the application, 7. the date of application, and 8. the person's name who made the application and person's certification number.

For more detailed information on pesticide record keeping requirements, contact your local congressional office and ask for USDA brochure "USDA Pesticide Record keeping Requirements for Certified Applicators of Federal Restricted Use Pesticides," dated February 1995.

### To Feed Good Quality Forages

Good quality forages are essential for milk production and herd profits. To determine the quality of forages, we generally have them tested for nutrient content.

Most people associate quality with the forage's protein content; the higher the protein, the higher the quality. This is not necessarily true. Other factors also determine forage quality.

In addition to providing nutrients to an animal's ration, forages

also aid in maintaining normal rumen function. To accomplish this, forages must contain adequate amounts of effective fiber and be free of any toxic compounds that could interfere with digestion and jeopardize animal health.

Thus, the fiber content of forage is important — both acid detergent fiber (ADF) and neutral detergent fiber (NDF). As NDF levels increase, palatability and intake decrease. As ADF levels increase, digestibility decreases. Thus we do not want ADF and NDF values getting too high. Nor do we want them getting too low.

We need a certain level of effective fiber in the ration with enough particle length to stimulate cud chewing activity and to maintain a fibrous mat in the rumen. Levels of fiber we are looking for are around 30 percent ADF and 40 percent NDF. These levels will depend upon the rest of the ration, feeding practices, and the kinds and nature of forages involved. Another guideline is to have at least 20 percent of the forage particles be one inch or longer in size.

Feather Prof.'s Footnote: "Conceive it! Believe it! Achieve it!"

**THE BIBLE SPEAKS**  
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**EDIFY, EDIFY, EDIFY**  
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glaring difference between "five words" and "ten thousand" indicates just how little Paul values speaking in tongues in corporate worship.

This is not because for Paul the corporate life of the church is to "strive to excel in building up the church" (14:12). Perhaps some of the ecstatic Christians were competing—who could speak longest, the most frequently, and so on. If anyone wanted to excel, said Paul, let it be in edifying one another, in building up the church. **SHAMEFUL!**

If you will note carefully the committee that devises these readings was careful to stop the scripture text at I Corinthians 14:33a. They didn't intend for us to go on to 33b. What would we miss by stopping there? "As in all the churches of the saints, the women should keep silence in the churches. For they are not permitted to speak, but should be subordinate...For it is shameful for a woman to speak in church" (14:34-36). So much for subtlety! So much for diplomacy!

Some scholars believe that, because these words are not in harmony with Paul's other pronouncements, they were not in his original letter, but were inserted by someone else. But whether these are his thoughts or someone else's, they are not authoritative for us today. The subordination of women prevailed in Paul's day, but not in ours.

Besides, this would be contrary to the two great principles in this chapter: "Let all things be done for edification" and "...strive to excel in building up the church." Today, there can be no building up of the church if we violate another of Paul's teachings: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Jesus Christ" (Galatians 3:28).

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**FARM CALENDAR**

- Saturday, April 15**  
Annual Consignment Auction, Dauphin County Conservation District, Gratz Fairgrounds.
- Sunday, April 16**  
Easter  
Easter Ham and Chicken Dinner, Berks 4-H Center, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Monday, April 17**  
Classification/Holstein enthusiasts meeting, Klein Farms, Easton, 7:30 p.m.  
Feeding Sheep On A Budget, Lancaster Farm and Home Center, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 18**  
Ephrata Young Farmers Ladies Night Out, Cloister Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.  
Grain Marketing Seminar, Pied Piper Restaurant, Trexlertown, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 19**  
Pennsylvania Poultry Federation Fund Raising Banquet, Hershey Convention Center, Hershey, social 5:30 p.m., dinner 7 p.m.  
Nutrient Management Advisory Board, Room 309, 2301 N. Cameron St., Harrisburg, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.  
Octoraro Watershed Association annual dinner meeting, Black Rock Retreat, Quarryville, 6:30

- p.m.  
U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Public Town Hall Meeting, Berks County Ag Center, 8:30 a.m.-11 a.m.
- Thursday, April 20**  
Western Pennsylvania Pork Producers Club Feeder Pig Sale, Mercer County 4-H Park.
- Friday, April 21**  
1995 Virginia Beef Expo, Rock-

**FARM FORUM**

Editor:  
April 22 marks 25 years of "Earth Day" and 1995 is also 50 years since the end of World War II. Back then America was a rich and powerful nation with its people working in manufacturing jobs and creating wealth.  
Since then our government has chosen to give out almost unrestricted foreign aid and to impose restrictive environmental laws at home. The end result is that we are a debtor nation in a global economy with our global ecology.  
If our society is really serious

about the earth, we should be refusing to import goods from nations with less stringent environmental laws than ours. Instead our government has guaranteed most favored nation status to just about everybody and signed GATT and NAFTA Agreements not to restrict imports for "technical reasons."  
It seems to me that at that pivotal point we've managed to completely give away the store!  
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