Early Reception History of Isaiah 53: Mutual Relations of Text and Contexts

The project was originally conceived as a study of receptions of Isaiah 52:13–53:12 (Isaiah 53) up to 160 AD, focusing on how context (that is, historical, geographical, cultural, sociological, ideological, economic, and linguistic factors) influenced the reception, and on how this context in turn was influenced by the reception.

Work on the project so far indicates that the project needs to be drastically delimited, probably to studying only the Old Greek translation of Isaiah 53. Work so far has also shown that this necessitates a thorough study of Old Greek's interpretations of most other עֶבֶד passages, to the point that this study may become the main focus of the project.