

My Servant

Isaiah 42:1-9, 49:1-7, 50:4-11

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Isaiah 42:1-4

1 “Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. **2** He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets.

3 A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; **4** he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”

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“This [Isaiah 42:1-9] is the first of 4 servant songs referring to the Messiah. They speak of the Servant’s gentle manner and worldwide mission.”

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5 This is what God the LORD says—he who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spreads out the earth with all that comes out of it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: **6** “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles,

7 to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. **8** “I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols. **9** See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you.”

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[In Chapters 9, 11, & 32] we had the Servant as King. Here we have the King as Servant... This Servant bringd God's right order into the world not from a position of strength but of weakness. He doent not break an already bent reed, nor does He quench a candle that is already flickering. Christ disarmed His enemies with love and grace and gentleness."

John N. Oswalt

the Redeemer

Isaiah 49:1-7

1 Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called me; from my birth he has made mention of my name. **2** He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver.

3 He said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor.” **4** But I said, “I have labored to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing. Yet what is due me is in the LORD’s hand, and my reward is with my God.”

5 And now the LORD says— he
who formed me in the womb to
be his servant to bring Jacob
back to him and gather Israel to
himself, for I am honored in the
eyes of the LORD and my God
has been my strength

6 he says: “It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth.”

7 This is what the LORD says—the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel—to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: “Kings will see you and rise up, princes will see and bow down, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

the Redeemer

Revelation 1:16

In his right hand he held seven stars, and out of his mouth came a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

the Redeemer

John 6:66-68

66 From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. **67** “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve. **68** Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

the Redeemer

Philippians 2:9-11

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, **10** that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, **11** and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

the Redeemer

“Before the servant, the Messiah was born, God had chosen him to bring the light of the gospel to the world. Christ offered salvation to all nations, and His apostles began the missionary movement to take this gospel to the ends of the earth.”

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The Sovereign LORD

Isaiah 50:4-11

4 The Sovereign LORD has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. **5** The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; and I have not been rebellious, I have not drawn back.

6 I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. **7** Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. **8** He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me!

9 It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who is he that will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. **10** Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let him who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

11 But now, all you who light fires and provide yourselves with flaming torches, go, walk in the light of your fires and of the torches you have set ablaze. This is what you shall receive from my hand: You will lie down in torment.

The Sovereign LORD

**“To speak for God is to be abused...
Believers are persecuted throughout
the Bible and up to the present. While
it should not be surprising if the
unbelieving world does so, it is
extremely disheartening when the
abuse comes from those who consider
themselves to be believers as well.”**

John N. Oswalt

Life Lessons

- **God sent His Son as a servant the first time**
- **His Son is returning again, not as a lamb, but as The Lion of Judah**
- **Are we ready for His return?**

Final Thoughts

“At His second coming, Christ will rule over as kingdom in which justice prevails throughout the world...all the nations of the world will experience the righteousness and justice of the Messiah.”

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Final Thoughts

Revelation 5:4-5

4 I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. **5** Then one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals.”