

Here Is My Servant

"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. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. 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 law the islands will put their hope." (Isaiah 42:1-4)

God is telling, *'Here is my servant,'* not somebody else servant but God's servant. God is longing to find His servant; to have His own servant, a person who is faithful and available to God. God's servant is a person who follows God and put Him first in His life. God's servant is a person who would live His life for God only and stand firm to bring the truth and the Word of God to others. God's servant is God's representative to the world. God had sent His Son the Lord Jesus Christ to the world. Christ died on the cross for our sins, He was buried and rose from the dead on the third day to give eternal life to us and to everyone who believe in Him and follow His steps in their lives. God had reconciled the world to Him through Christ Jesus and we who believe we are God's servant and become God's ambassador to the world: *"All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God."* (2 Corinthians 5:18-20)

Whom I uphold: Life is difficult with trials and hardship and God's servant may falter or fall, but God promised to His servant, *"Whom I uphold,"* God will uphold us and support us and be with us as we move and go on and serve Him. There will be always troubles and opposition and things that will try to bend us but God will uphold us and not allow us to fall.

My chosen one in whom I delight: God chose His servant and as we respond to His call He will mold us and shape us in the way that He wants us to be. Trials and hardships in life are the right atmosphere and God's provision for us to be trained and grow in righteousness. As we persevere in trials and stand firm for Him, we become His delight. We are His joy and His pleasure as we obey Him and trust in His unfailing love.

I will put my Spirit on him: God's anointing is upon God's servant. The Lord will fill us with His Holy Spirit and we will bring God's message to the world, as God ordained, *"And he will bring justice to the nations."* God calls us and anointed us to bring the gospel, the good news of Jesus, to the whole world by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The passage speaks about Jesus as God's servants. And we who are followers of Jesus we are called to follow His steps in our lives. Therefore we should apply the passage in our lives and live according to what the Word of God says.

He will not shout or cry out: God's servant will not fight and quarrel. In our service to God we should avoid strife or fight, or raise our voices in the streets: No one will hear us quarrelling or fighting.

A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out: As God's servant you are not to use your own muscle power to fight. You need to rely on God's power and not on your own strength.

In faithfulness he will bring forth justice: God's servant is faithful to the Lord and he will remain faithful even in the mid of the adverse conditions. You ought to continue to persevere until you achieve God's purpose in your life.

He will not falter or be discouraged: God's servant will not easily give up, and he will not be fed up. You should not be easily discouraged, and trials should not upset you.

Till he establishes justice on earth: God's servant has a target and he will not stop till he achieve it. Therefore continue to do God's work. *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."* (Galatians 6:9-10)

Let us read the following passage about Jesus and learn from Him how to be God's servant: *"Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals -- one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One." The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself." There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. One of the criminals who hung there hurled. But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:32-43)* You see Jesus persevered on the cross and He reaps the harvest; one of the thieves repented and gave His life to God. Few of what Jesus did and suffers is the following: 1-Carry a heavy cross on His wounded back. 2- Received nails in His body. 3- Forgive those who harm Him. 4- People took away His clothes. 5- The people stood watching, no one is giving a hand of help to Jesus ... All or some of the above might happen to us, that part of God's service, but we need to continue our service to God.

My Dear and Beloved: We need to persevere and the fruit will come. Reflect about the message and the Lord will give you more insight. Submit yourself to God, allow him to mold you and reshape you. Resist the devil, persevere in doing God's will and He will bless you as you agree to pray.

My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give eternal life. Lord I commit my self into your hand, mold me, reshape me and change my character and attitude, give me the fruit of the Holy Spirit and take from me the work of the flesh. Lord makes me your servant that you delight. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.