

The Saviour's Ninefold Mission to the Unbelievers of the World: Reaching Everyone for God

Isaiah 49:01–13

<p>1. He was called to be God's Servant (v. 4), His very special messenger to the world</p> <p>2. He was called to proclaim the Word of God: To send it forth like an arrow, wounding (convicting) people</p> <p>3. He was called to be God's Servant, the new Israel</p> <p>4. He was called to live a life of total trust in God</p> <p>1) He had meagre results, <i>John 1:11</i></p> <p>2) He cast himself and the results totally upon God</p> <p>5. He was called to redeem and return Israel back to God</p> <p>1) God strengthened him</p> <p>2) God greatly honoured him by enlarging his mission</p> <p>6. He was called to be a light to the Gentiles</p> <p>1) To be the Saviour</p> <p>2) To bring salvation to all</p>	<p>1 Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>3 He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendour."</p> <p>4 But I said, "I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due to me is in the LORD's hand, and my reward is with my God."</p> <p>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 honoured in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength —</p> <p>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 my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."</p>
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<p>7. He was called to suffer, to be despised and rejected, <i>53:3-7; Mark. 15:1-41; John 1:9-11</i></p> <p>8. He was called to be exalted and honoured by the rulers and citizens of the world: To be exalted as LORD by God, <i>45:24; 52:15; Phil 2:10-11</i></p> <p>9. He was called to be God's covenant for the people: To be God's pledge that God would fulfil His promises</p> <p>1) The promise to restore the land (earth) and to assign God's inheritance to His people</p> <p>2) The promise to set the people free from captivity and darkness</p> <p>3) The promise to guide and protect His people, <i>Mat 6:33</i></p> <p>4) The promise to remove all obstacles and to guide His people back to the promised land: Gather them even from the region of Sinim (Aswan or Egypt)</p> <p>5) The promise to comfort His people and to have mercy on them in their afflictions</p>	<p>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 a servant of rulers: “Kings will see you and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”</p> <p>8 This is what the Lord says: “In the time of my favour I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you; I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people, to restore the land and to reassign its desolate inheritances,</p> <p>9 to say to the captives, ‘Come out,’ and to those in darkness, ‘Be free!’ They will feed beside the roads and find pasture on every barren hill.</p> <p>10 They will neither hunger nor thirst, nor will the desert heat or the sun beat down on them. He who has compassion on them will guide them and lead them beside springs of water.</p> <p>11 I will turn all my mountains into roads, and my highways will be raised up.</p> <p>12 See, they will come from afar — some from the north, some from the west, some from the region of Aswan.”</p> <p>13 Shout for joy, O heavens; rejoice, O earth; burst into song, you mountains! For the LORD comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.</p>
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