

MY SERVANT DAVID

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"And I (the LORD God) will set up One Shepherd over them, and He shall feed them, even **My (God's) Servant David**; He shall feed them, and He shall be their Shepherd. And I the LORD will be their God, and **My Servant David** shall be a Prince (a ruler) among them; I the LORD have spoken it." (Ezekiel 34:23-24) (read Ezekiel 34:1-31)

My-Servant: from the Hebrew word *abdi* which means: my-servant; "God's Servant" in context. From *ebed*: a servant; a slave: which is itself from *abad* meaning: to serve. God calls various people "My-servant" in the Bible, such as: Abraham, Moses, Job, King David, Isaiah, Zerubbabel, and now the promised Messiah whom God also calls **David!**

David: from the Hebrew word *David* (pronounced *Dawveed*) meaning: Beloved-one; the personal name of the second King of Israel - King David! In context speaking of the promised Messiah Jesus, whom God gives the names David in Ezekiel. From the word *dod* meaning: beloved, or loved-one.

I believe the name **David** is bestowed by the **Father** upon the promised Messiah, not because He is descended from the first David, but rather because the Messiah will be the **Beloved Son** of the Father God Most High! Consider these verses:

"And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in Jordan. And straightway coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him: And there came a voice from heaven, saying, "You are **My Beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased." " (Mark 1:9-11)

"Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against Him (Jesus), how they might destroy Him. But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew Himself from there; and great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all; and charged them that they should not make Him known; so that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, "*Behold **My Servant**, whom I have chosen; **My Beloved**, in whom My soul is well pleased: I will put My Spirit upon Him, and He shall show judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear His voice in the streets. A bruised reed He shall not break, and smoking flax He shall not quench, till He sends forth judgment unto victory.*" And in His name the Gentiles shall trust." (Matthew 12:14-21; quoted from Isaiah 42:1-3)

Jesus, the Beloved Son of the Father, is also the Father's Servant, meaning that Jesus was sent by His Father to do the Father's will, on our behalf! As it says:

"And I will set up One Shepherd over them, and He shall feed them, even **My Servant David**; He shall feed them, and He shall be their Shepherd. (Ezekiel 34:23)

Speaking of His servanthood Jesus said of Himself, "I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd gives His life for the sheep. But he who is a hireling, and not the shepherd, and who is not the owner of the sheep, sees the wolf coming, and abandons the sheep, and flees; and the wolf catches them, and scatters them. The hireling flees, because he is a hireling, and does not care about the sheep. **I am the Good Shepherd**, and know My sheep, and My-own (sheep) know Me.. As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And I have other sheep, who are not of this flock; those also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be **one flock**, and **One Shepherd**. Therefore **My Father loves Me**, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man takes it from Me, but I lay it down Myself. **I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again**. This commandment have I received from My Father." " (John 10:11-18)

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Consider also these words of Jesus:

"And Jesus said unto them, I am the Bread of Life: he who comes to Me shall never hunger; and he who believes on Me shall never thirst. But I said unto you, that you also have seen Me, and yet do not believe. All who the Father gives Me shall come to Me; and he who comes to Me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him (the Father) who sent Me. And this is the Father's will who has sent Me, that of all whom He has given Me I should lose none, but should raise them up again at the last day. And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that every one who beholds the Son, and believes on Him, may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up on the last day. (John 6:35-40)

"... Whoever will be great among you, shall be your servant (diakonos); and whoever of you will be the first, shall be the slave (doulos) of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served unto (diakonethenai), but to serve (diakonesai), and to give His life a ransom for many.' " (Mark 10:42-45, Matthew 20:25-28)

And again:

"And **My Servant David** shall be a Prince (a ruler) among them; I the LORD have spoken it." (Ezekiel 34:23-24)

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the **Prince of Peace**. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this." (Isaiah 9:6-7)

"Behold, the days come, says the LORD, that I will raise unto David **a Righteous Branch**, and **a King** shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely; (Jer. 23:5-6)

"In those days, and at that time, will I cause **the Branch of Righteousness to** grow up unto David; and He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land. (Jer. 33:15)

"I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of Man came with the clouds of heaven, and He came to the Ancient of Days (the Father), and they brought Him (Jesus) near before Him (the Father). And there was given to Him (Jesus) dominion, and glory, and a Kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His Kingdom is one which shall not be destroyed." (Daniel 7:13-14)

Jesus is ...

God's Servant David!

... the Fathers Beloved Son, in whom He is Well Pleased!

... Serving the Father by being the One Shepherd over the Father's Flock - Us!

... serving the Father by being our Prince of Peace!

... serving the Father by gathering us into One Flock,

and providing for us justice, righteousness, safety, protection, and the Bread of Life!

Thank You Father in Heaven for sending Your Servant David ...

... even Jesus Your Beloved Son!

Thank You Jesus for being forever my Beloved Shepherd and Savior!