

Servanthood

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Romans

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For I say that Christ has become a servant to the circumcision in behalf of the truth of God, to confirm the promises given to the fathers, and for the Gentiles to glorify God for His mercy; as it is written:

*“Therefore, I will give praise to You among the Gentiles,
And I will sing praises to Your name.”*

Again he says,

“Rejoice, you Gentiles, with His people.”

And again,

*“Praise the Lord all you Gentiles,
And let all the peoples praise Him.”*

Again Isaiah says,

*“There shall come the root of Jesse,
And He who arises to rule over the Gentiles,
In Him will the Gentiles hope.”*

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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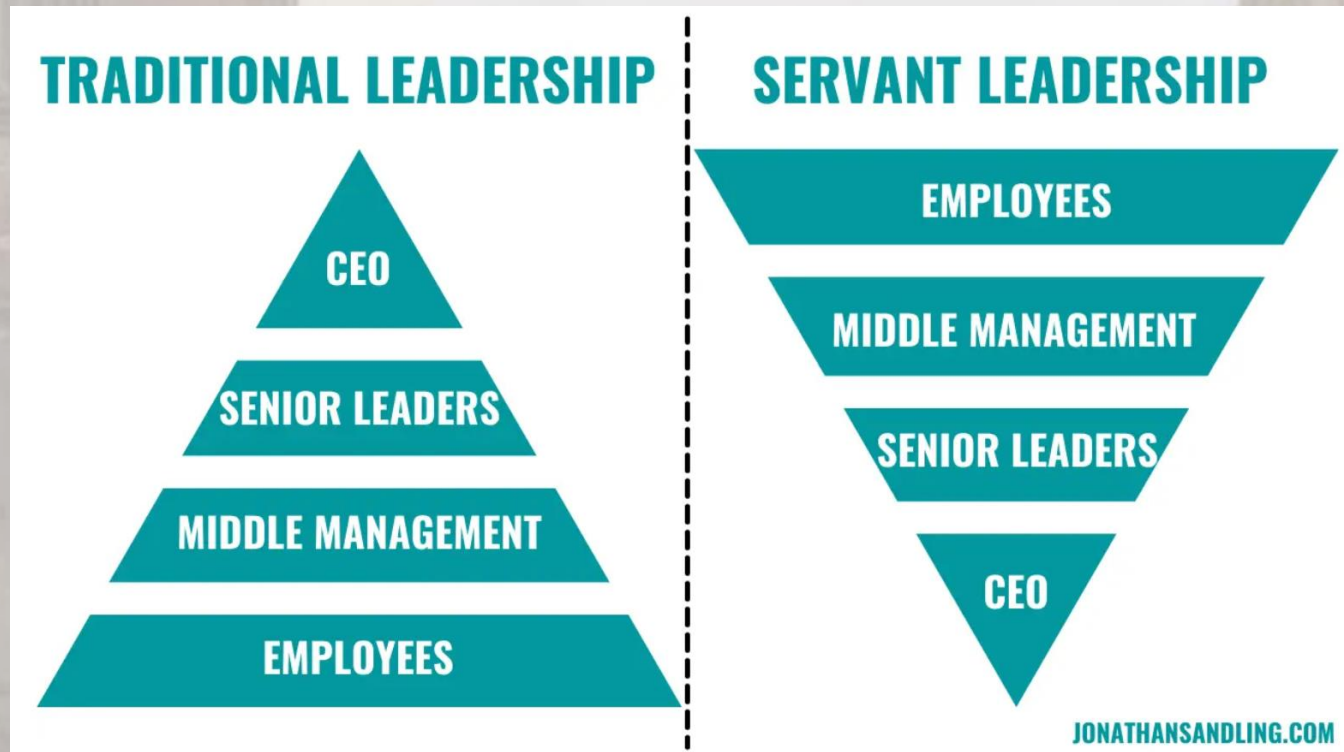
What is the ultimate will of God?

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glorify God for His mercy

Is the ultimate will of God is for us to do something for HIM?

Christ Jesus has become a servant to the circumcision



Listening
Empathy
Awareness
Persuasion
Conceptualization
Foresight
Stewardship
Commitment
Building
Calling

Luke 24:44

- **44** Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all the things that are written about Me in the (1)Law of Moses and the (2)Prophets and (3)the Psalms must be fulfilled."

**Christ Jesus has become a
servant to the circumcision
- Because -**

**Behalf of truth of God
Confirm the promises given to the fathers
For the Gentiles to glorify God for his mercy**

The background is a faded, artistic illustration of a classical city street. It features large, fluted columns on the right side, a cobblestone path, and several figures in ancient-style clothing. In the distance, there are domed buildings and a statue on a pedestal. The overall tone is warm and historical.

Servant Jesus came because

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Behalf of the truth of God

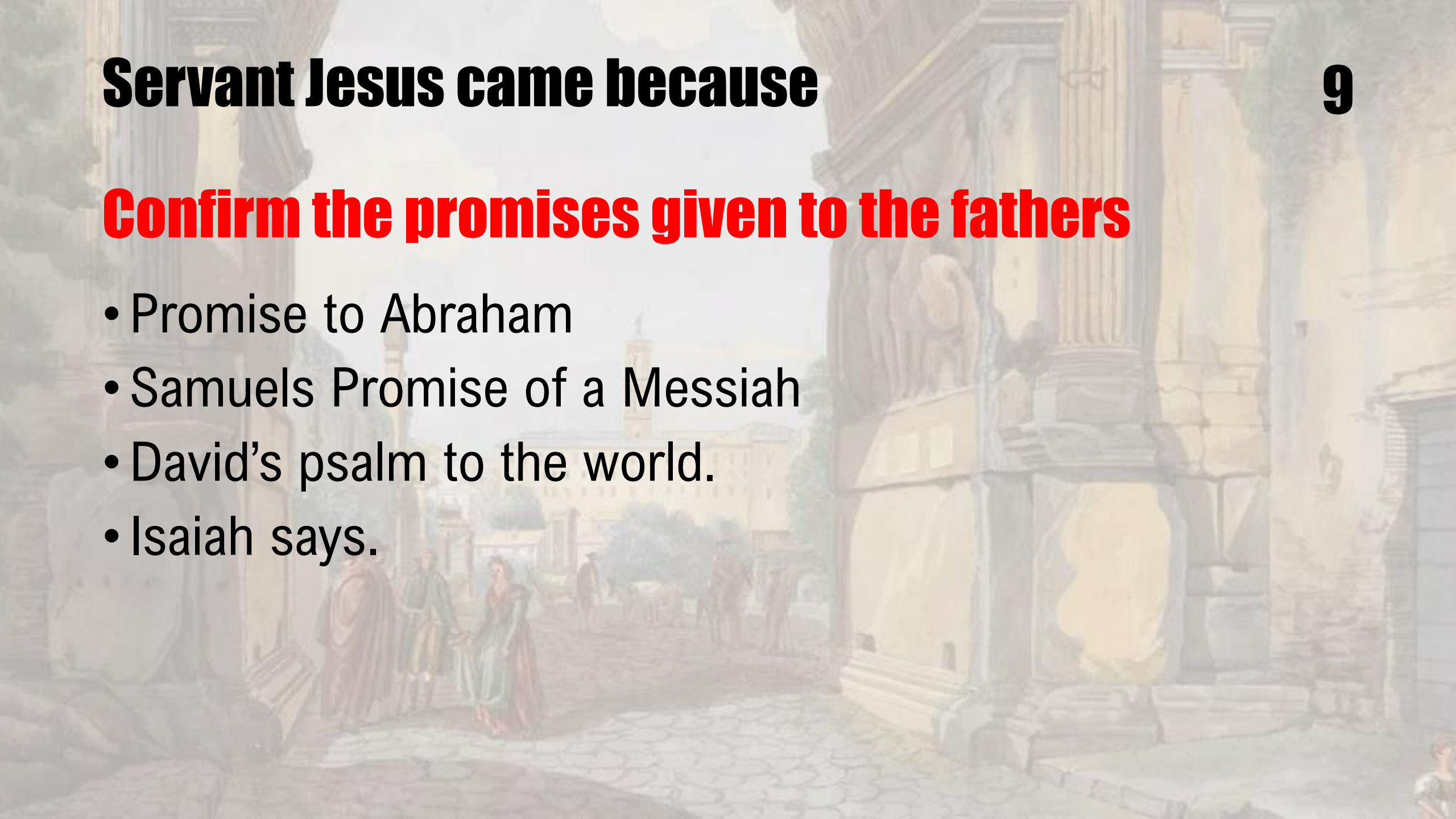
- **Does God's truth need to be proved?**
- **Two views of the coming Messiah.**

Servant Jesus came because

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Confirm the promises given to the fathers

- Promise to Abraham
- Samuels Promise of a Messiah
- David's psalm to the world.
- Isaiah says.



Servant Jesus came because

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Confirm the promises given to the fathers

- Promise to Abraham
 - Great land forever
 - Great nation
 - Great People
 - Bless the nations

**Genesis 12:1-3 New American Standard Bible - NASB 1995
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Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go forth from your country, And from your relatives And from your father's house, To the land which I will show you; And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing; And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

Servant Jesus came because

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Confirm the promises given to the fathers

- Samuels Promise of a Messiah
 - 2 Samuel 7:11-16
 - Build a house for God's name
 - Would reign forever
 - Would see it all

and have done ever since the time I appointed leaders^[1] over my people Israel. I will also give you rest from all your enemies. " 'The Lord declares to you that the Lord himself will establish a house for you: ¹² When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. ¹⁴ I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him with a rod wielded by men, with floggings inflicted by human hands. ¹⁵ But my love will never be taken away from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you. ¹⁶ Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me^[2] ; your throne will be established forever.' "

Servant Jesus came because

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Confirm the promises given to the fathers

- David's psalm to the world.
 - Includes the Gentiles
- 1 Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples.
 - 2 For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

Servant Jesus came because

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Confirm the promises given to the fathers

- Isaiah says. 11:10
 - Root of Jesse (David's father)
 - Includes the Gentiles

And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.



Servant Jesus came because

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To include the Gentiles

- Now may the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.