

**THE SERVANT’S TOWEL, or
A SWORD IN THE HEAVENS AND A TOWEL IN
THE EARTH**

THIS KEY DYNAMIC OF CORPORATE ANOINTING IS

WHAT I CALL: SERVANT POWER!

**1. THERE ARE TWO PRIMARY GREEK WORDS FOR
“SERVANT” IN THE NEW TESTAMENT:**

- a. *DIAKONOS.*
- b. *DOULOS.*

Mark 10:45, KJV For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to MINISTER, and to give his LIFE (psuche – intellect, emotion, and will) a ransom for many.

Mark 10:42-45, NIV Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your SERVANT, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to SERVE, and to GIVE HIS LIFE as a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:42-45, TLB “As you know, the kings and great men of the earth lord it over the people; but among you it is different...For even I, the Messiah, am not here to be served, but to HELP OTHERS, and to give My life....”

NOTE: “TO MINISTER” (DIAKONEO) = “to be an attendant or a domestic; to wait upon (mentally or as a host, friend, or teacher); to relieve one’s necessities; to attend to anything that may serve another’s interests; to act as a Christian deacon.” It is derived from *DIAKONOS* (compare the English, “deacon”) and *DIAKO* (to run an errand).

JESUS CHRIST is the CONSUMMATE DEACON who came down here to RUN AN ERRAND for the Father!

Romans 1:1, KJV Paul, a SERVANT of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God...

Romans 1:1, NAS Paul, a BOND-SERVANT of Christ Jesus...

Romans 1:1, TLB This letter is from Paul, Jesus Christ's SLAVE....

NOTE: “SERVANT” (DOULOS) = “a slave; a bondman; one who gives himself up to another's will; devoted to another to the disregard of one's own interests; the lowest term in the scale of servitude.” It is derived from *DEO* (to bind).

2. SERVANT POWER IS ILLUSTRATED IN THE PROPHECY OF ISAIAH, WHERE MESSIAH IS REVEALED AS “THE SERVANT OF JEHOVAH.”

Isaiah 42:1, KJV Behold MY SERVANT, whom I uphold; Mine elect, in whom My soul delighteth; I have put My spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Isaiah 52:13, KJV Behold, MY SERVANT shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.

- a. Prior to the pivotal chapter 53, describing the Savior’s death on the Cross, the word “SERVANT” is SINGULAR.

Isaiah 54:17, KJV No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the SERVANTS of the LORD, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the LORD.

Isaiah 65:9, KJV And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of My mountains: and Mine elect shall inherit it, and My SERVANTS shall dwell there.

b. After chapter 53, the word “SERVANTS” is PLURAL! JESUS CHRIST is the corn of wheat who fell into the ground and died (Jn. 12:24). The SEED has multiplied – the Servant has become SERVANTS! JESUS is:

- (1) King of KINGS.**
- (2) Lord of LORDS (Rev. 19:16).**
- (3) God of GODS (Dan. 2:47).**
- (4) Ruler of RULERS and Judge of JUDGES.**
- (5) Savior of SAVIORS (Obad. 1:21).**

- (6) Servant of SERVANTS!**

3. THE MIND OF CHRIST IS THE MIND OF A HUMBLE SERVANT. IN PHILIPPIANS 2, THERE WERE FOUR MEN WITH THE SAME MIND – JESUS, PAUL, TIMOTHY, AND EPAPHRODITUS.

Philippians 2:1-5, NAS If therefore there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself; do not {merely} look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this ATTITUDE in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,

Philippians 2:5, KJV Let this MIND be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

Philippians 2:6-11, NAS who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but EMPTIED HIMSELF (“made Himself of no reputation” – KJV; His KENOSIS), taking the form of a BOND-SERVANT, {and} being made in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He HUMBLLED HIMSELF by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PRINCIPLE: Jesus took upon Himself the FORM of the LOWEST SLAVE in John 13 – a PANORAMA of REDEMPTION:

John 13:1-5, KJV Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour was come that He should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end.

2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him;

3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He was come from God, and went to God;

4 He riseth from supper, and LAID ASIDE HIS GARMENTS (His INCARNATION); and took a TOWEL, and girded Himself.

5 After that He poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the TOWEL wherewith He was girded.

- a. Jn. 13:1 – He LOVED.
- b. Jn. 13:2 – He SUFFERED.
- c. Jn. 13:3 – He KNEW.
- d. Jn. 13:4 – He STRIPPED (became VULNERABLE).
- e. Jn. 13:5 – He STOOPED VERY LOW and MINISTERED.

4. ONLY THE OX, THE BURDEN-BEARER, IS CHANGED!

Ezekiel 1:10, KJV As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an OX on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Ezekiel 10:14, KJV And every one had four faces: the FIRST FACE (the Firstfruits Company, as in Rev. 14:1-5) was the FACE OF A CHERUB, and the second face was the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.

PRINCIPLE: There is only one SURETY, the Divine GUARANTEE that we will live to see the Son of promise, the CORPORATE CHRIST, the end-time MOVE OF GOD revealed in the earth:

Genesis 15:6-18, KJV And he (Abram) believed in the LORD; and He counted it to him for righteousness. And He said unto him, I am the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it. And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I KNOW that I shall inherit it? (“How can I be SURE that You will give it to me?” – TLB) And He said unto him, Take Me an HEIFER (apostle) of three years old, and a SHE GOAT (pastor) of three years old, and a RAM (prophet) of three years old, and a TURTLEDOVE (teacher), and a young PIGEON (carrier, the evangelist). And he took unto him all these, and DIVIDED (chopped) them in the midst (cut them in two, down the middle – NKJ), and LAID EACH PIECE ONE AGAINST ANOTHER...And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold A SMOKING FURNACE (the Father – Mt. Sinai), and a BURNING LAMP (the Son, as in Jn. 8:12) that passed between those pieces. In the same day the LORD made a COVENANT with Abram (compare Heb. 6:13; 13:20)...

Leviticus 17:11, KJV For the LIFE of the flesh is in the BLOOD...

APPLICATION: Get THE SET MAN and demonstrate...

- a. When leaders submit to the sharp knife of the WORD.
- b. When leaders get close enough to BLEED mutually.

