

Open Eyes that are Blind  
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“I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.” Isaiah 42:6-7

### **Make Me a Servant**

During the “Feeding of the Lambs” – where we at St Matthew have a message specifically for young children – we teach them a song.

One of those songs is “God Loves Me Dearly.” It is a simple song that tells of God’s love and promise of salvation in Jesus Christ.

The last stanza I altered a bit to read, “Now I will *serve* You, O Love Eternal; Now I will *serve* You All my life long.”

### **A Servant’s Response**

Our *response* to God’s love is serving him – that is, doing what God wants of us.

To put it simply, God wants us to love him above all else and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

But God didn’t just *tell* us to do this. He sent his Son, Jesus, to *model* this kind of life to us.

### **Servant Song**

In Isaiah 42, the LORD (Yahweh, the First Person of the Trinity) calls forth the Messiah – Jesus Christ. He says that he will send Jesus as a *covenant* to the people – as the fulfilled promise of God.

One of the things that Jesus did was open eyes that are blind.

He would do this literally, opening the eyes of seven people (recorded in the Gospels).

### **Our Servant Response**

We can follow Jesus’ example by praying for others. Helping others. And leading others to God’s house (worship) and God’s Word.

### **Prayer**

Heavenly Father, thank you for calling me to be a servant to others in the name of Jesus. I pray that all I do will put all focus on Jesus Christ. In his name. Amen.

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