

- 133 43:10 Work of servant involves giving evidence of God, His character, His existence, His faithfulness, His attributes, His bringing Israel into exile (v.14)
- 133/5 44:1 does not tell us a great deal about the work of the servant The word "Israel" does not mean every individual who descended from Jacob; it must be a portion. Not told how big the portion is.
- 134/1 The work of the Lord is not being done by every one in the nation of Israel. Would those antagonistic to the Lord do His work? ((Perhaps unwillingly and unwittingly))
- 134/6 The group that includes godly and ungodly is not co-extensive with the Servant. The Servant's work is not done by the whole group that returned from exile.
- 134/7 The Servant must be a part of Israel, but we're not told yet how large a part.
- 135/2 Not told yet when the work is to be done
- 135/4 44:21 Israel is the servant but the servant is not all of Israel The work is Israel's responsibility and for that purpose she had been preserved and rescued.
- 135/7 44:26 "servant" i.e. any servant who has been given a message by God. Reference is to Isaiah's word. Word "servant" is used in a non-technical, general sense here, and refers to God's messenger
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- 136/7-10 "The word of his servant" -- the servant's work includes witnessing and proclaiming God's word, but here the reference is primarily to the prediction that God is going to deliver from Babylonian captivity.
- 136/10 AAM questions whether 44:26 belongs with list of references dealing with the servant's work.
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- 137/6 45:1 Messiah("his anointed") is used in the general sense here of one set apart in a special way for a high office, even as "servant" 9j 44:26 was used in a general sense.
- 138/1-7 God is saying Cyrus is in this lofty position because he is God's choice for this work of liberating Israel from captivity.
- 138/8-10 Important to note the many specific predictions of Cyrus and details given about him.
- 139 45:2 "make the crooked places straight" == figurative expression for the removal of difficulty.
- 139/3-10 A conquerer's difficulties in over-extending himself. Cf Cyrus and Hitler. Hitler's invasion of Russia to take Stalingrad.
- 140/1-3 Hitler's army destroyed in Russia. Expansion brings difficulties.
- 140/4 God says He will remove the obstacles before Cyrus and enable him to get control over a region much greater than the Babylonians ever had control of.