89 – Part 2 There was a time



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- 13 "My faithful love will be with him forever; his power will be exalted through my name. His right hand I will set above the rivers; his rule upon the sea I will proclaim.
- 14 "He will declare to me, 'You are my Father; you are my rock, my saviour and my God.' As my firstborn I also will appoint him, supreme among all kings on earth abroad.
- 15 "I will maintain my love to him forever; my cov-e-nant with him will never fail. His line forevermore I will establish; while heaven lasts, his kingdom will prevail.
- 16 "But if his sons forsake my laws and statutes and violate my cov-e-nant command, I'll punish with the rod all their transgression, their sin with blows inflicted by my hand.
- 17 "But I will never take my love from David; my faithfulness I never will betray.

 Nor will I ever violate my covenant or alter what I said in any way.
- 18 "Once have I sworn in holiness to David I will not lie to him I will declare that David's line forever will continue, and on his throne he'll always have an heir.
- "His throne will ever flourish in my presence; it will continue like the sun on high. I'll make it certain, like the moon in heaven, which is a faithful witness in the sky."