

# The New Covenant

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## I. The two-sided Old Covenant

### A. God's covenant with Israel—The Old Covenant

**Exo 24:3** And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the LORD hath said will we do.

**Exo 24:7** And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

**Exo 24:8** And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

### B. Man has never kept his side of a covenant of works with God, the Eternal Judge

**Rom 3:19** Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

**Rom 3:20** Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.

### C. The Old Covenant was broken by man and is no more

**Heb 8:6** But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

**Heb 8:7** For if that first *covenant* had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

**Heb 8:8** For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

**Heb 8:13** In that he saith, A new *covenant*, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old *is* ready to vanish away.

## II. God's one-sided everlasting covenant of grace with God to save God's people

### A. The everlasting covenant

**Heb 13:20** Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

Heb 13:21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## **B. God made a promise and a covenant with God before the world began**

Tit 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

Heb 6:17 Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed *it* by an oath:

Heb 6:18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was* impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

## **C. In covenant agreement, God gave a vast host of people to Jesus**

Joh 17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life **to as many as thou hast given him.**

Joh 17:6 I have manifested thy name unto **the men which thou gavest me out of the world:** thine they were, and thou gavest them me...

Joh 17:9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but **for them which thou hast given me;** for they are thine.

Joh 17:24 Father, I will that **they also, whom thou hast given me,** be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory...

## **D. God had a will (even made a will) to save those He gave to Jesus**

Joh 6:39 And **this is the Father's will** which hath sent me, that of **all which he hath given me** I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

## **E. Jesus came for the stated purpose of saving His people (those given to Him)**

Mat 1:21 ...thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

## **F. Jesus (and the Holy Spirit) did and shall save His people**

2Ti 1:8 ...the gospel according to the power of God;

2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

Joh 3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth...so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Tit 3:5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

Rom 5:9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved...

## **III. The multi-faceted New Covenant**

### **A. The New Covenant prophesied from the ‘Old Covenant’**

**Jer 31:31** Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

**Jer 31:32** Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

**Jer 31:33** But this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

**Jer 31:34** And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

**Jer 31:35** Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, *and* the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts *is* his name:

**Jer 31:36** If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, *then* the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

**Job 38:4** Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

**Job 38:5** Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

**Job 38:6** Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

**Isa 40:12** Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

### **B. The New Covenant explained in the ‘New Covenant’**

**Heb 8:9** Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

**Heb 8:10** For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

**Heb 8:11** And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

**Heb 8:12** For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

**Rom 7:9** For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.

**Heb 10:15** ...the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,

Heb 10:16 This *is* the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;

Heb 10:17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

Heb 10:18 Now where remission of these *is*, *there is* no more offering for sin.

Heb 10:19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

Heb 10:20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

Heb 10:21 And *having* an high priest over the house of God;

Heb 10:22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Heb 10:23 Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)

Heb 10:24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

2Co 3:3 *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.

2Co 3:6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.

2Co 3:7 But if the ministration of death, written *and* engraven in stones, was glorious...

2Co 3:8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?

2Co 3:9 For if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

2Co 3:10 For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth.

2Co 3:11 For if that which is done away *was* glorious, much more that which remaineth *is* glorious...

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Heb 9:13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:

Heb 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?