

Christ & His Law

Lesson –10 Christ, the Law and the Covenants

Square Circles and Carnal Christians

Rom. 5:12-21, 6:15-23, 7:13-25, 9:30-10:4, Gal. 3:19-24.

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What Is A Covenant?

The word "covenant" occurs about 300 times in the bible.

A covenant (Hebrew berith, Greek diatheke *dee-ath-ay'-kay*) is a legal agreement between two or more parties based upon promises made by either one or by both parties.

Using covenants is how God redeems us, in Jesus. a covenant is a promise, and God's promises cannot be broken. [The Bible is a covenant document](#). The word "testament" is Latin for Covenant. The Ten Commandments fit this pattern and are a covenant document.

God's Covenant With Adam Or The Edenic Covenant

Genesis 1:27–28 *So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.*

²⁸ *And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.*

Genesis 2:16–17 *And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: ¹⁷ But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.*

***Hosea 6:7:** *But they like Adam have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.*

God's Covenant With Noah

Genesis 6:18 *But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.*

God's Covenant With Abraham Genesis 12:1-3

Exodus 2:24 *And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.*

God's Covenant With David

David and his descendants were established as the royal heirs to the throne of the nation of Israel (2 Sam. 7:12-13).

Covenant Signs

Genesis 9:12, 13 (NKJV) *And God said: "This is the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: ¹³ I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth.*

Circumcision was a sign to Abraham and Isaac birth

Exodus 20:18 *And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and stood afar off.*

Hebrews 12:18–19 (NKJV) *For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard it begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore.*

Red Cord

***Joshua 2:18** *Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down by: and thou shalt bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, home unto thee.*

A Sign Of The Covenant of Jesus

Isaiah 7:14 *Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, And shall call his name Immanuel.*

Luke 2:12 (NKJV) *And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."*

The Lord's Supper New Covenant is Instituted

Matt. 26:26–29; Luke 22:17–23; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Mark 14:22–25 (NKJV) *And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. ²⁴ And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many. ²⁵ Assuredly, I say to you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."*

Covenant Promises & Conditions

***Leviticus 26:3–4** *If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments, and perform them, then I will give you rain in its season, the land shall yield its produce, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.*

Deuteronomy 11:22–28 *For if you carefully keep all these commandments which I command you to do—to love the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways, and to hold fast to Him—²³ then the LORD will drive out all these nations from before you, and you will dispossess greater and mightier nations than yourselves....*

²⁶ *Behold, I set before you today a blessing and a curse: ²⁷ the blessing, if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you today; ²⁸ and the curse, if you do not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside from the way which I command you today, to go after other gods which you have not known.*

Deuteronomy 28:9–11 (NKJV) *“The Lord will establish you as a holy people to Himself, just as He has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in His ways. ¹⁰ Then all peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you. ¹¹ And the Lord will grant you plenty of goods, in the fruit of your body, in the increase of your livestock, and in the produce of your ground, in the land of which the Lord swore to your fathers to give you.*

Deuteronomy 30:8–10 (NKJV) *And you will again obey the voice of the Lord and do all His commandments which I command you today. ⁹ The Lord your God will make you abound in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, in the increase of your livestock, and in the produce of your land for good. For the Lord will again rejoice over you for good as He rejoiced over your fathers, ¹⁰ if you obey the voice of the Lord your God, to keep His commandments and His statutes which are written in this Book of the Law, and if you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.*

***1 Kings 3:14** (NKJV) *So if you walk in My ways, to keep My statutes and My commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.”*

***Deuteronomy 29:1** (NKJV) *These are the words of the covenant which the Lord commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, besides the covenant which He made with them in Horeb.*

Galatians 3:16–18 (NKJV) *Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, “And to your Seed,” who is Christ. ¹⁷ And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. ¹⁸ For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no longer of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise.*

Galatians 3:29 (NKJV) *And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.*

Tablet of the Covenant

Deuteronomy 9:8–9 (NKJV) ⁸ *Also in Horeb you provoked the Lord to wrath, so that the Lord was angry enough with you to have destroyed you. ⁹ When I went up into the mountain to receive the tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant which the Lord made with you, then I stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights. I neither ate bread nor drank water.*

New Covenant

Hebrews 8:8 (NKJV) *Because finding fault with them, He says: “Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—*

Hebrews 8:10 (NKJV) *For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.*

Jeremiah 31:31–33 (NKJV) *“Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.*

The Covenant and the Gospel (Heb. 9:15-22)

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Covenant Benefits (Eph. 2:6)

Ephesians 2:6 (NKJV) *and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,*

2 Corinthians 4:16–18 (NKJV) *Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, ¹⁸ while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.*

Hebrews 8:6–13 (NKJV) *But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises. ⁷ For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second. ⁸ Because finding fault with them, He says: “Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—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 did not continue in My covenant, and I disregarded them, says the Lord. ¹⁰ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. ¹¹ None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. ¹² For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more.” ¹³ In that He says, “A new covenant,” He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.*

Ephesians 6:1-3 *Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.”*

Exodus 19:8 (NKJV) *Then all the people answered together and said, “All that the Lord has spoken we will do.” So Moses brought back the words of the people to the Lord.*

Ultimately, those who violated the terms of the covenant would be punished with death (*Ezek. 18:4*).

The same is true for the New Covenant: those who refuse to keep God's law are also denied access to eternal life (*Rom. 6:23*).

Has any man ever been able to find a fault or a flaw in the handwriting of God? The psalmist declared,

"The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." [Psalm 19:7](#).

"Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good." [Romans 7:12](#).

"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, Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ." [Hebrews 13:20, 21](#).

"Christ in you, the hope of glory." [Colossians 1:27](#).

"The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." [Galatians 2:20](#).

Galatians 4:22–26 (NKJV) ²² *For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. ²³ But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, ²⁴ which things are symbolic. **For these are the two covenants:** the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar—²⁵ for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children—²⁶ but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all.*