

A Scriptural Study On Covenant

God Has Made A Covenant With You



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The New Covenant

Physical Circumcision

Gen 17:9 (NIV) Then God said to Abraham, "As for you, you must keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you for the generations to come.

Gen 17:10 (NIV) This is My covenant with you and your descendants after you, the covenant you are to keep: Every male among you shall be circumcised.

Gen 17:11 (NIV) You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between Me and you.

Gen 17:12 (NIV) For the generations to come every male among you who is eight days old must be circumcised, including those born in your household or bought with money from a foreigner--those who are not your offspring.

Gen 17:13 (NIV) Whether born in your household or bought with your money, they must be circumcised. My covenant in your flesh is to be an everlasting covenant.

Gen 17:14 (NIV) Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken My covenant."

Luke 22:19 (NIV) And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

Luke 22:20 (NIV) In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the NEW covenant in My blood, which is poured out for you.

Acts 3:25 (NIV) And you are heirs of the prophets and of THE COVENANT God made with your fathers. He said to Abraham, 'Through your offspring ALL PEOPLES ON EARTH will be blessed.'

1 Cor 11:23 (NIV) For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread,

1 Cor 11:24 (NIV) and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

1 Cor 11:25 (NIV) In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

1 Cor 11:26 (NIV) For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

2 Cor 3:6 (NIV) He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant--not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

The Veil

2 Cor 3:13 (NIV) We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to keep the Israelites from gazing at it while the radiance was fading away.

2 Cor 3:14 (NIV) But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away.

2 Cor 3:15 (NIV) Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts.

2 Cor 3:16 (NIV) But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

2 Cor 3:17 (NIV) Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

2 Cor 3:18 (NIV) And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, Who is the Spirit.

Gal 3:29 (NIV) If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Gal 3:15 (NIV) Brothers, let me take an example from everyday life. Just as no one can set aside or add to a human covenant that has been duly established, so it is in this case.

Gal 3:16 (NIV) The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. The Scripture does not say "and to seeds," meaning many people, but "and to your seed," meaning one person, Who is Christ.

Gal 3:17 (NIV) What I mean is this: The law, introduced 430 years later, does not set aside the covenant previously established by God and thus do away with the promise.

Gal 3:18 (NIV) For if the inheritance depends on the law, then it no longer depends on a promise; but God in His grace gave it [the inheritance] to Abraham through a promise.

The Covenant Of Promise And The Covenant Of Law

The covenant established with Abraham was the covenant of promise. The covenant with Moses was the covenant of law.

Gal 4:21 (NIV) Tell me, you who want to be under the law, are you not aware of what the law says?

Gal 4:22 (NIV) For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and the other by the free woman.

The slave woman, Hagar, represents the mother of the law. The free woman, Sarah, represents the mother of promise.

Gal 4:23 (NIV) His [Abraham's] son by the slave woman [Hagar] was born in the ordinary way;

A son born through natural birth.

but his [Abraham's] son by the free woman [Sarah] was born as the result of a promise.

A son born through a promised birth.

Gal 4:24 (NIV) These things may be taken figuratively, for the women represent two covenants.

Two covenants: The covenant of the law through Moses and the covenant of promise through Abraham.

One covenant is from Mount Sinai and bears children who are to be slaves: This is Hagar.

The covenant of the law and slavery.

Gal 4:25 (NIV) Now Hagar stands for Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to the present city of Jerusalem, because she is in slavery with her children.

Hagar, Mount Sinai, city of Jerusalem on earth, and Ishmael all represent the slavery of the law.

Gal 4:26 (NIV) But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother.

Sarah, Mount Zion, the city of Jerusalem in heaven, and Isaac all represent the freedom of the promise.

Gal 4:27 (NIV) For it is written: "Be glad, O barren woman, who bears no children; break forth and cry aloud, you who have no labor pains; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband."

Gal 4:28 (NIV) Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise.

Gal 4:29 (NIV) At that time the son born in the ordinary way persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now.

Isaac was persecuted by Ishmael. The Christians of the promise were persecuted by the Jews of the law.

Gal 4:30 (NIV) But what does the Scripture say? "Get rid of the slave woman and her son, for the slave woman's son will never share in the inheritance with the free woman's son."

Gal 4:31 (NIV) Therefore, brothers, we are not children of the slave woman, but of the free woman.

Christians are children of the free woman, whose children are a part of the birth of promise.

Gal 5:1 (NIV) It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

Don't return to the covenant of law; remain in the covenant of promise.

Gal 5:2 (NIV) Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you LET yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all.

Gal 5:3 (NIV) Again I declare to every man who LETS himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law.

Gal 5:4 (NIV) You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace.

Gal 5:5 (NIV) But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope.

Gal 5:6 (NIV) For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

Eph 2:11 (NIV) Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (that done in the body by the hands of men)--

Eph 2:12 (NIV) remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.

Eph 2:13 (NIV) But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

Eph 2:14 (NIV) For He Himself is our peace, Who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,

Eph 2:15 (NIV) by abolishing in His flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in Himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace,

Eph 2:16 (NIV) and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which He put to death their hostility.

Eph 2:17 (NIV) He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.

Eph 2:18 (NIV) For through Him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

Eph 2:19 (NIV) Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household,

Eph 2:20 (NIV) built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone.

Eph 2:21 (NIV) In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.

Eph 2:22 (NIV) And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Heb 6:13 (NIV) When God made His promise to Abraham, since there was no one greater for Him to swear by, He swore by Himself,

Heb 6:14 (NIV) saying, "I will surely bless you and give you many descendants."

Heb 6:15 (NIV) And so after waiting patiently, Abraham received what was promised.

Heb 6:16 (NIV) Men swear by someone greater than themselves, and the oath confirms what is said and puts an end to all argument.

Heb 6:17 (NIV) Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of His purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, He confirmed it with an oath.

Heb 6:18 (NIV) God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged.

Heb 6:19 (NIV) We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain,

Heb 6:20 (NIV) where Jesus, Who went before us, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.

Heb 7:1 (NIV) This Melchizedek was king of Salem and priest of God Most High. He met Abraham returning from the defeat of the kings and blessed him,

Heb 7:2 (NIV) and Abraham gave him a tenth of everything. First, his name means "king of righteousness"; then also, "king of Salem" means "king of peace."

Heb 7:3 (NIV) Without father or mother, without genealogy, without beginning of days or end of life, like the Son of God he remains a priest forever.

Heb 7:4 (NIV) Just think how great he was: Even the patriarch Abraham gave him a tenth of the plunder!

Heb 7:5 (NIV) Now the law requires the descendants of Levi who become priests to collect a tenth from the people--that is, their brothers--even though their brothers are descended from Abraham.

Heb 7:6 (NIV) This man, however, did not trace his descent from Levi, yet he collected a tenth from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises.

Heb 7:7 (NIV) And without doubt the lesser person is blessed by the greater.

Heb 7:8 (NIV) In the one case, the tenth is collected by men who die; but in the other case, by him who is declared to be living.

Heb 7:9 (NIV) One might even say that Levi, who collects the tenth, paid the tenth through Abraham,

Heb 7:10 (NIV) because when Melchizedek met Abraham, Levi was still in the body of his ancestor.

Heb 7:11 (NIV) If perfection could have been attained through the Levitical priesthood (for on the basis of it the law was given to the people), why was there still need for another priest to come--one in the order of Melchizedek, not in the order of Aaron?

Heb 7:12 (NIV) For when there is a change of the priesthood, there must also be a change of the law.

Heb 7:13 (NIV) He of Whom these things are said belonged to a different tribe, and no one from that tribe has ever served at the altar.

Heb 7:14 (NIV) For it is clear that our Lord descended from Judah, and in regard to that tribe Moses said nothing about priests.

Heb 7:15 (NIV) And what we have said is even more clear if another priest like Melchizedek appears,

Heb 7:16 (NIV) One Who has become a priest not on the basis of a regulation as to His ancestry but on the basis of the power of an indestructible life.

Heb 7:17 (NIV) For it is declared: "You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."

Heb 7:18 (NIV) The former regulation is set aside because it was weak and useless

Heb 7:19 (NIV) (for the law made nothing perfect), and a better hope is introduced, by which we draw near to God.

Heb 7:20 (NIV) And it was not without an oath! Others became priests without any oath,

Heb 7:21 (NIV) but He became a priest with an oath when God said to Him: "The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind: 'You are a priest forever.'"

Heb 7:22 (NIV) Because of this oath, Jesus has become the guarantee of a better covenant.

Heb 7:23 (NIV) Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office;

Heb 7:24 (NIV) but because Jesus lives forever, He has a permanent priesthood.

Heb 7:25 (NIV) Therefore He is able to save completely those who come to God through Him, because He always lives to intercede for them.

Heb 7:26 (NIV) Such a High Priest meets our need--One Who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens.

Heb 7:27 (NIV) Unlike the other high priests, He does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for His own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when He offered Himself.

Heb 7:28 (NIV) For the law appoints as high priests men who are weak; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, Who has been made perfect forever.

Heb 8:1 (NIV) The point of what we are saying is this: We do have such a high priest, Who sat down at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven,

Heb 8:2 (NIV) and Who serves in the sanctuary, the true tabernacle set up by the Lord, not by man.

Heb 8:3 (NIV) Every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices, and so it was necessary for this One also to have something to offer.

Heb 8:4 (NIV) If He were on earth, He would not be a priest, for there are already men who offer the gifts prescribed by the law.

Heb 8:5 (NIV) They serve at a sanctuary that is a copy and shadow of what is in heaven. This is why Moses was warned when he was about to build the tabernacle: "See to it that you make everything according to the pattern shown you on the mountain."

Heb 8:6 (NIV) But the ministry Jesus has received is as superior to theirs as the covenant of which He is mediator is superior to the old one, and it is founded on better promises.

Heb 8:7 (NIV) For if there had been nothing wrong with that first covenant, no place would have been sought for another.

Heb 8:8 (NIV) But God found fault with the people and said : "The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah.

Heb 8:9 (NIV) It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they did not remain faithful to My covenant, and I turned away from them, declares the Lord.

Heb 8:10 (NIV) This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time, declares the Lord. I will put My laws in their minds and write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be My people.

Heb 8:11 (NIV) No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.

Heb 8:12 (NIV) For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

Heb 8:13 (NIV) By calling this covenant "new," He has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and aging will soon disappear.

Heb 9:1 (NIV) Now the first covenant had regulations for worship and also an earthly sanctuary.

Heb 9:2 (NIV) A tabernacle was set up. In its first room were the lampstand, the table and the consecrated bread; this was called the Holy Place.

Heb 9:3 (NIV) Behind the second curtain was a room called the Most Holy Place,

Heb 9:4 (NIV) which had the golden altar of incense and the gold-covered ark of the covenant. This ark contained the gold jar of manna, Aaron's staff that had budded, and the stone tablets of the covenant.

Heb 9:5 (NIV) Above the ark were the cherubim of the Glory, overshadowing the atonement cover. But we cannot discuss these things in detail now.

Heb 9:6 (NIV) When everything had been arranged like this, the priests entered regularly into the outer room to carry on their ministry.

Heb 9:7 (NIV) But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance.

Heb 9:8 (NIV) The Holy Spirit was showing by this that the way into the Most Holy Place had not yet been disclosed as long as the first tabernacle was still standing.

Heb 9:9 (NIV) This is an illustration for the present time, indicating that the gifts and sacrifices being offered were not able to clear the conscience of the worshiper.

Heb 9:10 (NIV) They are only a matter of food and drink and various ceremonial washings--external regulations applying until the time of the new order.

Heb 9:11 (NIV) When Christ came as high priest of the good things that are already here, He went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not man-made, that is to say, not a part of this creation.

Heb 9:12 (NIV) He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but He entered the Most Holy Place once for all by His Own blood, having obtained eternal redemption.

Heb 9:13 (NIV) The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean.

Heb 9:14 (NIV) How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

Heb 9:15 (NIV) For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance--now that He has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.

Heb 9:16 (NIV) In the case of a will, it is necessary to prove the death of the one who made it,

Heb 9:17 (NIV) because a will is in force only when somebody has died; it never takes effect while the one who made it is living.

Heb 9:18 (NIV) This is why even the first covenant was not put into effect without blood.

Heb 9:19 (NIV) When Moses had proclaimed every commandment of the law to all the people, he took the blood of calves, together with water, scarlet wool and branches of hyssop, and sprinkled the scroll and all the people.

Heb 9:20 (NIV) He said, "This is the blood of the covenant, which God has commanded you to keep."

Heb 9:21 (NIV) In the same way, he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle and everything used in its ceremonies.

Heb 9:22 (NIV) In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

Heb 9:23 (NIV) It was necessary, then, for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these sacrifices, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

Heb 9:24 (NIV) For Christ did not enter a man-made sanctuary that was only a copy of the true one; He entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence.

Heb 9:25 (NIV) Nor did He enter heaven to offer Himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own.

Heb 9:26 (NIV) Then Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But now He has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

Heb 9:27 (NIV) Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,

Heb 9:28 (NIV) so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and He will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for Him.

Heb 10:1 (NIV) The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming--not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship.

Heb 10:2 (NIV) If it could, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins.

Heb 10:3 (NIV) But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins,

Heb 10:4 (NIV) because it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

Heb 10:5 (NIV) Therefore, when Christ came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, but a body You prepared for Me;

Heb 10:6 (NIV) with burnt offerings and sin offerings You were not pleased.

Heb 10:7 (NIV) Then I said, 'Here I am--it is written about Me in the scroll-- I have come to do Your will, O God.'"

Heb 10:8 (NIV) First He said, "Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings You did not desire, nor were You pleased with them" (although the law required them to be made).

Heb 10:9 (NIV) Then He said, "Here I am, I have come to do Your will." He sets aside the first to establish the second.

Heb 10:10 (NIV) And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Heb 10:11 (NIV) Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

Heb 10:12 (NIV) But when this Priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God.

Heb 10:13 (NIV) Since that time He waits for His enemies to be made His footstool,

Heb 10:14 (NIV) because by one sacrifice He has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

Heb 10:15 (NIV) The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First He says:

Heb 10:16 (NIV) "This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put My laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds."

Heb 10:17 (NIV) Then He adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more."

Heb 10:18 (NIV) And where these have been forgiven, there is no longer any sacrifice for sin.

Heb 10:19 (NIV) Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus,

Heb 10:20 (NIV) by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, His body,

Heb 10:21 (NIV) and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

Heb 10:22 (NIV) let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Heb 10:23 (NIV) Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He Who promised is faithful.

Heb 10:24 (NIV) And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

Heb 10:25 (NIV) Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Heb 10:26 (NIV) If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left,

Heb 10:27 (NIV) but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

Heb 10:28 (NIV) Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

Heb 10:29 (NIV) How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?

Heb 10:30 (NIV) For we know Him Who said, "It is Mine to avenge; I will repay," and again, "The Lord will judge His people."

Heb 10:31 (NIV) It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Heb 12:18 (NIV) You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm;

Heb 12:19 (NIV) to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them,

Heb 12:20 (NIV) because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned."

Heb 12:21 (NIV) The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear."

Heb 12:22 (NIV) But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly,

Heb 12:23 (NIV) to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect,

Heb 12:24 (NIV) to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Heb 12:25 (NIV) See to it that you do not refuse Him Who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from Him Who warns us from heaven?

Heb 12:26 (NIV) At that time His voice shook the earth, but now He has promised, "Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens."

Heb 12:27 (NIV) The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken--that is, created things--so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

Heb 12:28 (NIV) Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,

Heb 12:29 (NIV) for our "God is a consuming fire."

Heb 13:1 (NIV) Keep on loving each other as brothers.

Heb 13:20 (NIV) May the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep,

Heb 13:21 (NIV) equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.