



## “THE TWO COVENANTS”



## Covenants

- Covenant God made with Noah and every living creature.  
Gen. 9
- Covenant God made with Abraham.  
Gen. 17
- Covenant God made with Israel.  
Ex. 24:7-12



### “The Covenant God Made With Israel”

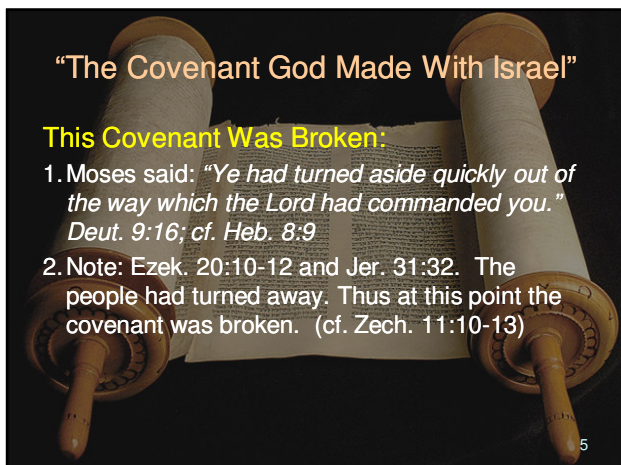
- The covenant of God is identified as “ordinances, laws, commandments” and “words” in the Scriptures.
1. Ex. 24:7 Moses “took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people.”
    - This book contained the “judgments” (ordinances ASV) that Moses was to set before them.  
Ex. 21:1.
  2. In Ex. 24:12 Jehovah describes this covenant as *law and commandments*.



### “The Covenant God Made With Israel”

#### God By Moses Gave A Book... To The People Including:

- | Included:                      | People:                             |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Commandments.<br>Ex. 20:3ff | 1. Heard.                           |
| 2. Promises. Ex. 20:12ff       | 2. Understood.                      |
| 3. Penalties. Ex. 20:7ff       | 3. Agreed to all.<br>(cf. Ex. 24:3) |



### “The Covenant God Made With Israel”

#### This Covenant Was Broken:

1. Moses said: “Ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the Lord had commanded you.”  
Deut. 9:16; cf. Heb. 8:9
2. Note: Ezek. 20:10-12 and Jer. 31:32. The people had turned away. Thus at this point the covenant was broken. (cf. Zech. 11:10-13)



### God Reveals His Plan For A Second Covenant

#### Jer. 31:31-34 Prophecy New Law

Not Like the Law of Moses

- ✦ “I will make a new covenant”
- ✦ Distinct from the Law of Moses
- ✦ Written into the heart
- ✦ Citizens of covenant know God (no infants)
- ✦ Final, perfect pardon of sin
- ✦ Heb. 8:6-13 Prophecy fulfilled: gospel

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Rom. 7:1-7 Paul argues that the Jews were dead to the Old Law

Rom. 7:7-8 Paul argues that the Jews were freed from the Old Law

Gal. 3:10-14 Law of Moses Demanded Perfect Law Keeping

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Gal. 3:19-25 Purpose of the Law of Moses: Made Jews Conscious of Sin Till Savior Came

Gal. 3:19-25 Purpose of the Law of Moses: Schoolmaster

Gal. 4:21-31 “Covenants” Contrasted by Allegory

Gal. 5:1-4 Do Not Go Back To The Law.

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In Gal. 3-5, Paul clearly shows that the Old Covenant is fulfilled in Christ.

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- Eph. 2:14-16 Law of Moses Nailed to Cross
- Col. 2:14-17 Law of Moses Nailed to Cross

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In Eph. 2 & Col. 2, Paul clearly shows that the Old Covenant is done away, abolished by Christ.

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“to cause to cease, put an end to, do away with, annul, abolish” (Rom 3:31; Eph 2:15) (Thayer’s Greek Lexicon)

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- What is our relation to the Old Covenant?
- All but ONE repeated in the New Covenant.

*Ex. 20:8 “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.”*

- \* Keeping the Sabbath day is not commanded in the New covenant. However, certain acts of worship are commanded on the first day of the week. **Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:1-3; Rev. 1:10**

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2 Cor. 3:1-16 Paul teaches the “passing away” of the Old Covenant:

Old Covenant	New Covenant
Written on “tables of stone.” vs. 3,7	Written on “tables of the heart.” vs. 3
“Letter” vs. 6	“Spirit” vs. 6 Cf.. Rom. 2:28ff
“Killeth” vs. 6	“Giveth life” vs. 6
“Ministration of death” vs. 7 (cf. Ex. 34:29-35; Ex. 32:28; Rom. 8:2)	“Ministration of Spirit” vs. 8

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Old Covenant	New Covenant
“Ministration of condemnation” vs. 9	“Ministration of righteousness” vs. 9
“Glorious” vs. 7	“Exceeds in Glory” vs. 9-11
“Passeth away” vs. 11,13	“Remaineth” vs. 11

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Heb. 7:11-14 New Priesthood could not exist under the Old Covenant.

- Like Melchizedek Ps. 110:1ff
- Tribe changed
- Law changed

*– “Lord sprung out of Judah; as to which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priests.”*

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Heb. 8:6-13 New Covenant mediated by Christ

1. Enacted upon “BETTER” promises. (12 times in Hebrews).
2. Place “WAS” sought for a “SECOND.”
3. “NEW COVENANT” (cf. Jer. 31:31-34) is applied to the covenant Christ mediated.
4. New Covenant (2<sup>nd</sup>) made Old Covenant (1<sup>st</sup>) OLD !
5. When New Covenant appeared, Old Covenant vanished away.

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- Heb. 9:11-12 Old & New / First & Second

Old Covenant	New Covenant
High priest: Levitical	High Priest: Christ
Tabernacle: By Men	Tabernacle: By God
Blood: Goats/Calves	Blood: Christ
No Redemption through Animals	Eternal Redemption

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- Heb. 9:11-12 Old & New / First & Second

Old Covenant	New Covenant
Cleansed: Flesh	Cleansed: Conscience
Mediator: Moses	Mediator: Christ
Inheritance: NONE	Inheritance: Eternal

### “The Two Covenants”

Heb. 10:1-18 NEW Not A Part Of The OLD

First Covenant: *“Taken Away”* (10:9)  
 Second Covenant *“Established”* (10:9-10)

New Covenant: One Sacrifice for Sins Forever  
 – Christ ... No More Offering (vs. 12,18)

Old Covenant: Many Sacrifices for Sins  
 Continually... Animals...Never make perfect  
 (10:1-2,4) Remembrance of Sins (10:3)

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- Heb. 10:9 Jesus said to the Father...  
*“Lo, I am come to do thy will.”* The Hebrew writer said, *“He taketh away the first (covenant) that he may establish the second.”*
  - a. Jesus came *“to fulfill the Law.”* cf. Mt. 5:17-18
  - b. This he DID!! READ Jno. 19:28-30  
*“It is finished.”*