

Session #13

# Covenant

## The forging of two Destinies

If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely. And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid: and I will rid evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land. And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword. And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword. For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you. . . . And I will set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor you. And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people. I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright. But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that you break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

Leviticus 26:3-16

**The Requirement:** Keep the Law to Perfection

**The Result:**

Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked every one in the imagination of their evil heart: therefore I will bring upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded them to do; but they did them not.

## **OLD COVENANT AGREEMENT:**

- Be completely set-apart and unlike all the nations about you
- Be mine wholly and completely and I will be yours wholly and completely
- Obey me and I will dwell among you
- Follow my commands and you will be kept safe
- Love me and Trust that I will do it, and you will never lack

## **But,**

- If you participate in the debauchery of the nations about you
- If you are given over to other gods,
- If you break my covenant, and obey me not,
- And If you disregard my commands and claim that I am unable to do that which I have promised to do; then you will be vulnerable to a thousand foes; for I will withdraw my Presence, I will cut you off from my inheritance, and I will remove my blessing from your life and give terror in its place.

## **PURPOSE OF THE OLD COVENANT**

- God created a culture in which to demonstrate His Power, His Love, His Purpose, His Holiness, and His Name. He separated out a people, providing a clear understanding of His prophetic purposes for the New and Final Covenant testified with His very own Blood. He created a shadow kingdom of all that would follow, so that when it came, the fingerprints of God would be recognized upon its pillars.
- God set the stage for the arrival of Jesus Christ. He created a culture which foretold Him in every minute regard. He created a Holy Text that was preserved by the Masoretic Scribes that testified to Jesus as Messiah and King, and prepared the way for even the Gentiles to recognize God in the life of a man.
- It proved the problem of Sin. It showcased Self's unlawful rebellion and the power of the Flesh at work within the human life. The Old Covenant defined the perfection of God and then demonstrated how far man is from that perfection. It showed both the inability of man to save Himself and the fact that only God can save him from himself.

The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

**Psalm 19:7**

Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

**Romans 7:12**

But we know that the law [is] good, if a man use it lawfully; Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine; According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.

**1 Timothy 1:8-11**

For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

**Matthew 5:18**

And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.

**Luke 16:17**

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: 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: 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.

**Jeremiah 31:31-33**

And they shall be my people, and I will be their God: And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them: And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn

away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me. Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

**Jeremiah 32:39-41**

## **Law of God** (Commandments, Precepts, Testimonies)

From tablets of stone to being written on human hearts (The 2<sup>nd</sup> Pentecost)

- Spirit of God
- Life of God
- Quickening Power of God
- Christ in us the Hope of Glory
- Perfect Righteousness of God

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I [am] in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which you hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

**John 14:16-27**

## **WORD OF GOD** (Jesus Christ, Spirit of God, Covenant Life of God) The Word of God in Letter Now the Word of God in Life

- The Law of God become Flesh
- The Sacrifices, The Feasts, The Tabernacle/Temple become Flesh
- The Wisdom of God become Flesh
- the Prophecy of God become of Flesh
- In other words, The Word of God become Flesh

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name [was] John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all [men] through him might believe. He was not that Light, but [was sent] to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

**John 1:1-14**

## **Psalm 119**

The Old Testament Picture of the Supernaturally Enabled Life of the Spirit

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

**John 14:6**

Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD. Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart. They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways. Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts

diligently. O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!  
Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy  
commandments. I will praise thee with uprightness of heart,  
when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments . . .  
Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking  
heed thereto according to **thy word**. . . Deal bountifully with thy  
servant, that I may live, and keep **thy word**. Open thou mine  
eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law . . . Thy  
testimonies also are my delight and my counselors. My soul  
cleaveth unto the dust: **quicken thou me according to thy word**  
. . . **Make me to understand the way** of thy precepts: so shall I  
talk of thy wondrous works. My soul melteth for heaviness:  
**strengthen thou me according unto thy word. Remove from me  
the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.** . . I will run the  
way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart. .  
. **Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.**  
**Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou  
me in thy way.** . . Behold, I have longed after thy precepts:  
**quicken me in thy righteousness.** Let thy mercies come also  
unto me, O LORD, even thy salvation, according to **thy word**. So  
shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I  
trust in **thy word** . . . And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy  
precepts. Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which  
thou hast caused me to hope. This is my comfort in my affliction:  
**for thy word hath quickened me.** . . It is good for me that I have  
been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes. The law of thy  
mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver. Thy  
hands have made me and fashioned me: give me  
understanding, that I may learn thy commandments. They that  
fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have  
hoped in **thy word** . . . My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I  
hope in **thy word** . . . **Quicken me after thy lovingkindness;** so  
shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth. For ever, O LORD, **thy  
word** is settled in heaven. Thy faithfulness is unto all generations:  
thou hast established the earth, and it abideth . . . **I will never  
forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me** . . . O  
how I love thy law! it is my meditation all the day. Thou through  
thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies:  
for they are ever with me. I have more understanding than all  
my teachers: for thy testimonies are my meditation. I  
understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy

precepts . . . How sweet are **thy words** unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way. **Thy word** is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments. I am afflicted very much: **quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word** . . . I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love . . . Uphold me according unto **thy word**, that I may live: and let me not be ashamed of my hope . . . It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void thy law. Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold . . . Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them. The entrance of **thy words** gives light; it gives understanding unto the simple. I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy commandments . . . Order my steps in **thy word**: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me. Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts . . . My zeal hath consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten **thy words**. **Thy word** is very pure: therefore thy servant loves it . . . Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law is the truth . . . The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live . . . Thou art near, O LORD; and all thy commandments are truth. Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them for ever . . . Plead my cause, and deliver me: **quicken me according to thy word** . . . Salvation is far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes . . . Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness. **Thy word is true** from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endures for ever. Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart stands in awe of **thy word**. I rejoice at **thy word**, as one that finds great spoil . . . Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me understanding according to **thy word** . . . Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts . . . Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me. I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.

## **Romans 8**

The Key to Unlock Psalm 119

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

**Romans 8:1-14**

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if you be led of the Spirit, you are not under the law . . . And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

**Galatians 5:16-25**

## **The New Covenant**

The Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus

Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to

his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

**Malachi 3:1**

Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul. And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that [was] upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 18:3,4**

## **The Four Sacred Elements of Exchange**

- **Robe**
  - His Position
  - His Name
  - His Fame
  - His Authority
- **Garments**
  - His Possessions
  - His Inheritance
- **Sword and Bow**
  - His Protection
  - His Preservation
  - His Watchful Eye of Defense
- **Girdle**
  - His Enabling power
  - His Quickening Strength

And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves: For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

**Luke 22:14-20**

## **Invited into His Sanctuary**

To share in His Covenant Life

Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that [is] among the children of Israel.

**Ezekiel 44:9**

And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks split. The tombs broke open and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs, and after Jesus' resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

**Matthew 27:50-55**

For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 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; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; 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.

**Hebrews 10**

## **Token of Covenant**

In each covenant "Flesh was Cut-Off"

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 . . . And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you; And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters

of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth. And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

**Genesis 6:18, 9:9-13**

And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you . . . He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.

**Genesis 17:11-14**

And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.

**Deuteronomy 30:6**

For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

**Romans 2:28-29**

In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

**Colossians 2:11-13**

## **New Covenant Agreement:**

- Trust that I, Jesus Christ, have done it (I have won the victory, purchased your life out of the hands of death, conquered the power of Sin and death, and wrought for you a glorious salvation from your destitution)
- Repent of your rebellion, acknowledge your sin, and yield the throne of your soul to the Heavenly King of kings in order for me to transform and remake your entire existence.
- Allow My Life, My Spirit to become the Law of your being – Obey it, Walk in it, Abide in it, Delight in it, Be blessed by it
- Love, with the enablement of the Person of Love dwelling with you - showcase the glory of God through unswerving obedience unto the Spirit of God.
- Yield not to the Flesh again. But remain set-apart and consecrated wholly unto me.
- Be mine wholly and completely and I will be yours wholly and completely
- Love me and Trust that, not only that I have done it, but that I will continue to do it, and you will never lack in the Gift of My Presence, My Fire, and My Joy.

### **But,**

- If you yield to the flesh,
- If you are given back over to self as your ruler,
- If you break my covenant, and obey me not,
- And If you disregard my commands and claim that I am unable to do that which I have promised to do; then you will be vulnerable to a thousand foes; for I will withdraw my Presence, My Fire, and My Joy. And you will find that once again you are controlled by a fiendish stronghold, known as Selfishness and Sin. And you will be exposed to the destructive powers of the Flesh. And The Flesh will master you unless you repent and yield again to me and honor my covenant.

## **He asks for everything**

- **Our Robe**
  - Will you give up your reputation? Willing to be deemed a fanatic and a fool?
  - Will you surrender your name and allow it to be swallowed up in my own? No longer will anything be about you, but your life from this day forward will be about me and my glory.
  - Will you give up position, fame, and worldly authority in order to become royalty in my Kingdom?
- **Our Garments**
  - Will you relinquish everything you possess for me?
  - Will you give up the applause of men? The security of financial stability? Even the comforts of a self-indulgent existence?

- Will you give me your health? Your wealth? Your every material thing for me to do with as I see fit?
  
- **Our Sword and Bow**
  - Will you let down your defenses and allow me to remodel your life?
  - Will you allow me to discipline you? Convict you? Transform you into something that this world will reject, revile, and crucify?
  - Will you surrender to me your self-preservation in exchange for my preservation of your existence on planet earth?
  - Will you allow me to use your life to fight my battles rather than your own self-aggrandizing battles?
  
- **And Our Belt**
  - Will you allow me to break you?
  - Will you surrender to me your self-derived strength, so that I may replace it with my own Heavenly version of world-altering power?
  - Will you give me the privilege of keeping you dependent so that I might prove my Might in and through your life?
  - Will you allow me the privilege of showcasing my Glory to this world through your existence?

**He asks for everything, yes.**

**But remember He gives us Everything, that could possible matter, in return.**