

GOD IS A COVENANT-KEEPING GOD

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DAY I – AN UNBREAKABLE COVENANT

God cut covenant with Abram. Faith (for Abraham and for us) comes by hearing the covenant WORD of God. When Moses was on Mount Sinai for 40 days and nights, God was giving him an understanding of the covenant. When the Jews settled in the Promised Land, a birthing center was established in Bethlehem for sacrificial lambs. The birthing center had a second purpose—it was preparation for Jesus' birth. We are part of an unbreakable covenant.

STUDY IT

- I. God cut covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:9-21).
 - God was able to perform what He promised, and because Abram believed God, it was accounted to him as righteousness (Romans 4:22).
 - Abram fell on his face, God talked to him, and Abram believed God (Genesis 17:1-4, 15-17).
 - Abraham totally abandoned himself to God. He considered not his own body, which was now dead, but only what God had spoken.
 - Neither did Abram consider the deadness of Sarah's womb.
 - It was totally impossible for him and his wife to have a baby.
 - God had the audacity to call Abraham the father of many nations (Romans 4:17).
 - For Abram to be a father was a contradiction to physical evidence. It was impossible for it to happen.
 - Abraham didn't consider the contradiction of facts and the divine promise. He didn't try to reconcile them.

- II. Faith (for Abraham and for us) comes by hearing and hearing by the covenant WORD of God (Romans 10:17).
 - Until you get your spirit and soul wrapped around this blood agreement with *El Shaddai* and His Son, Jesus, you are only mentally persuaded God is able to do it.
 - God is a covenant-keeping God, a covenant-aware God, the Almighty God—He is my God!



- III. When Moses was on Mount Sinai for 40 days and nights, God was giving him an understanding of the covenant.
- God told His covenant people, the Jews, to arrange themselves on two facing mountains for a reading of the covenant.
 - The descendants of six tribes stood on Mount Gerizim, and the descendants of the other six tribes stood on Mount Ebal facing each other. They spoke THE BLESSING and the curse (Deuteronomy 27:12-13).
 - Even though God made covenant with Abraham and his descendants, He knew the descendants would break it.
 - God established a method for the nation to be forgiven and put back into the covenant.
 - The high priest was to put his hand on a goat and spiritually transfer the sin of the nation to the scapegoat.
 - They took the goat far from the camp into the wilderness, so God's judgment would not have to come down on the camp.
 - All of that ceremony was built into the first covenant to be a picture of the coming unbreakable covenant based on Jesus' blood.
- IV. When the Jews settled in the Promised Land, a birthing center was established in Bethlehem for sacrificial lambs.
- Levitical trained shepherds watched over the lambs designated to be used as sacrifices to God.
 - The manger was the place where a sacrificial lamb was born. It was a place hewn out of rock that was kept spotlessly clean.
 - The shepherds brought the mother ewe to the place to give birth to the sacrificial lamb.
 - The shepherd wrapped the newborn lamb in swaddling clothes to keep it from thrashing around and hurting itself.
- V. The birthing center had a second purpose—it was preparation for Jesus' birth.
- When Joseph and Mary traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem, all the places to stay were full, so they had to go to the birthing center.
 - In that spotless place where lambs were born, Mary gave birth to Jesus.
 - When Jesus was born, they wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, just like the other sacrificial lambs.
 - According to Mosaic Law, every baby boy had to be offered to The LORD at the Temple in Jerusalem.
 - Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus went there and entered into Abraham's covenant.





- VI. We are part of an unbreakable covenant.
- Abraham heard God promise to give him a son and make him the father of many nations.
 - Abraham considered not his own body.
 - When God gives you a promise, you can't just consider not. You have to consider something.
 - Consider Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith. Consider Him, the One God sent to be the High Priest of our confession. Consider Him, who bore sickness and disease into hell itself. Consider Him who was made to be the curse.
 - The covenant is between Almighty God and a mortal man, Jesus. It's established forever!
 - In the terms of the new covenant, there is no curse! You can't break the covenant! You are redeemed from the curse (Galatians 3:13).
 - The curse has no power in our lives, if we walk by faith.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

God has given us an unbreakable covenant based on the truth that the covenant members are Almighty God and Jesus.

Answer these questions truthfully:

1. Does knowing you are in the unbreakable covenant between Almighty God and Jesus give you confidence that your prayers are answered?
2. Does being in covenant with God assure you that you will not be punished with the curse?
3. Does being in Christ Jesus and in covenant with God move you to consider Jesus, rather than considering the circumstances of life?

If your answers aren't yes, spend time meditating and enjoying this covenant you came into when you were born again. Put your thankfulness to God into practice in your life today!



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DAY 2 – EL SHADDAI: OUR COVENANT-KEEPING GOD

God and Jesus are the *El Shaddai* of our lives. We are new creatures in Christ Jesus. The devil is absolutely nothing.

STUDY IT

- I. Who is God?
 - God told Abraham, “I am Almighty God” (Genesis 17:1).
 - Almighty God in that verse is translated from the Hebrew words *El* meaning “God” and *Shaddai* meaning “Almighty.”
 - Make this confession: God is the Almighty God. My trust is in Him.
 - The Hebrew root of the word *Shaddai* means “all-sufficient God”—literally “the breasted one.”
 - The Name *El Shaddai* is a picture of a mother who is everything to her babies—life and food. The one with the breasts is everything to her children. She will die for them.
 - He is the Almighty God, and we trust Him—He’s our perfect Daddy.

- II. Who is Jesus?
 - My LORD, Savior and covenant Brother, Jesus is *El Shaddai* in the flesh. He’s everything we need.
 - Jesus has been here in the world. He knows what the flesh feels like. He knows what it means to resist sin.

- III. Who are you?
 - You are a new creature created in Christ Jesus (2 Corinthians 5:17).
 - You are a new creature, not a forgiven sinner.
 - You’re as spiritually unique as your fingerprints are unique.
 - There’s nothing left in your spirit of the old you. It died, just as Jesus died.
 - We are (and have been made) the righteousness of Almighty God. We can call Him Abba, dear Father and Daddy (Romans 8:15).
 - This marvelous Love Himself who dwells inside you is the Almighty God.



- We now live in Him and *El Shaddai* lives in us—the God who is more than enough!

IV. Who is the god of this world?

- He is zero. God's WORD says he is nothing and his works are nought (archaic word for zero used in counting) or useless (Isaiah 41:24).
- He has been brought to zero, to nothing, by the Almighty God.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Answer Brother Copeland's questions in your own words?

Who is God to you? _____

Who is Jesus to you? _____

Who are you in Christ? _____



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DAY 3 – YOUR NEW COVENANT NAME

We are the children of the Almighty God and joint heirs with Jesus. The Bible contains God's will and covenant information. We have been given a new covenant name. The shedding of blood seals the covenant.

STUDY IT

- I. We are the children of the Almighty God and joint heirs with Jesus (Romans 8:16-17).
 - Jesus imparted a startling revelation at the Passover celebration, which became the covenant supper (John 13-17).
 - Jesus said, "This is the blood of the new covenant. Drink it" (Matthew 26:27-28).
 - Jesus was about to become the sacrificial Lamb of the new covenant.

- II. The Bible contains God's will and covenant information.
 - Read it and find out what God's will is.
 - Most Western-minded people don't have a working knowledge of nor understanding of the depths of the covenant of blood.
 - A covenant stipulates that everything one member has is available to the other member if necessary.
 - It's so serious that often the members cut themselves and mingle their blood.

- III. We have been given a new covenant name.
 - As part of the Abrahamic covenant, God changed Abram's name to Abraham.
 - The new covenant is between God and Jesus.
 - We don't have a covenant with Jesus—we are in Christ which puts us into the covenant between God and Jesus.
 - We are brothers and joint heirs with Christ (Romans 8:16-17), and our name has been changed.
 - We have been put in covenant with the Almighty One. We have His Name.
 - When you were born again, your name was changed. You're a new creature, circumcised in the heart.

IV. The shedding of blood seals the covenant.

- The first blood that was ever shed on planet Earth was not Abel's blood.
 - The first blood was an animal's that God used to covenant with man to meet his need—to clothe Adam and Eve.
- The first human blood that was shed in a covenant was Abraham's blood in circumcision. He covenanted with his family to follow the ways of God.
- When it came time for Almighty God to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah, He first talked to Abraham because Lot, Abraham's nephew lived there.
- There was a covenant between God and His brother, Abraham.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

God has given you a new covenant name. Pray this prayer of thanksgiving:

Heavenly Father, thank You! I'm in Your family, and I'm named after You. I'm Your child forever! And You allow me to use the Name of Jesus! Thank You, Sir. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

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DAY 4 – HAVE FAITH IN YOUR COVENANT WITH GOD

God wanted to prove His love to man through covenant. God is a covenant-keeping God. THE BLESSINGS and the curses of the Abrahamic covenant are listed in Deuteronomy 28. God instructed His people to make the covenant announcement listing the terms. Have faith in your covenant between *El Shaddai* and His Son, Jesus.

STUDY IT

- I. God wanted to prove His love to man through covenant.
 - Abraham's faith was counted as righteousness, and he was called the Friend of God (James 2:23).
 - In the *King James Version*, the word *Friend* is capitalized, because *Friend* is a covenant term.
 - There is a Friend who sticks closer than a brother (Proverbs 19:24).
 - In the covenant room, Jesus told His disciples, "I no longer call you servants, I call you friends (John 15:15).
- II. God is a covenant-keeping God.
 - God is Jehovah Raah, My Shepherd; Jehovah Jireh, My Provider; Jehovah Rapha, the God that heals me; Jehovah Tsidkenu, My Righteousness; Jehovah Shalom, He is our Peace; Jehovah Shammah, the Ever-Present; Jehovah Nissi, my Canopy, my Covering.
 - God is Jehovah Sabaoth, He is God, The LORD of Hosts!
 - Many people read God's Name as Jehovah Sabbath, but that's not right—it's Sabaoth (James 5:4).
 - The book of Malachi mentions *Sabaoth* 22 times. He is the God of the heavenly armies. Jesus is The LORD Sabaoth.
- III. THE BLESSINGS and the curses of the Abrahamic covenant are listed in Deuteronomy 28.
 - There is some confusion about the wording of the curses. The King James Version says, "The LORD will curse you," but The LORD doesn't curse anyone.



- It's all part of covenant terms.
 - For more information on covenants read E. W. Kenyon's book, *The Blood Covenant*.
 - It also helps us to understand what we are doing when we receive Communion.
 - Melchizedek, Lord Mayor of Salem, which became Jerusalem, brought a covenant meal to Abram with bread and wine (Genesis 14:18-20).
 - Melchizedek made the covenant declaration: "Blessed be Abram of the Most High God, possessor of heaven and earth."
 - Abram knew this was a covenant meal, and a covenant pronouncement.
 - He didn't back down by saying, "I'm unworthy." If he had, he would have been insulting the covenant.
- IV. God instructed His people to make the covenant announcement listing the terms (Deuteronomy 27:11-13).
- There were two mountains close together and a priest officiated in the ceremony.
 - Half of the covenant family was on one mountain, the other half on the other mountain.
 - The covenant had THE BLESSINGS and it had curses if it were broken.
 - God never intended for the people to get sick or cursed. The curses were simply provisions of the covenant.
 - There have been many lies preached about God, such as He will make you sick or kill your children.
 - THE BLESSINGS are just as real as the curses. Those curses had to be pronounced, and they are for all those who don't keep that covenant.
- V. Have faith in your covenant between *El Shaddai* and His Son, Jesus (God in the flesh).
- Covenant law said: This is what happens when you keep the covenant, and this is what happens when you don't.
 - Literally, God didn't say "I will do this." It begins with, "If you don't hearken to this..."
 - Have faith in what and who God is.
 - Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the old covenant (Galatians 3:13). Our sins have been remitted, wiped out! That's good news.
 - Thus saith The LORD: "If only," saith The LORD, "My people will believe that, receiving healing, deliverance and financial victory would be so easy." Believe that their sins have been wiped out! The struggle is over!





MAKE IT PERSONAL

Read Deuteronomy 28. List four of THE BLESSINGS and four of the curses. THE BLESSINGS are yours; the curses, you can resist and refuse!

THE BLESSINGS

the curses





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DAY 5 – THE COVENANT PROMISES A LONG, STRONG LIFE

The covenant with God promises a long, strong life of righteousness. There was a direct contradiction of what God said to Abraham and the evidence of his and Sarah's bodies, yet God was faithful to keep His WORD.

STUDY IT

- I. The covenant with God promises a long, strong life of righteousness.
 - The perfect Lamb of God took my sins, so I am dead to sin and I live as righteousness.
 - When Jesus said, "It is finished" (John 19:30), He was not talking about Redemption being finished. He still had three days and nights to go.
 - It was the old covenant that was finished.
 - When the angel ripped the veil in half and the Holy of Holies was exposed, it ended the separation between God and man (Matthew 27:51).
 - Jesus, our High Priest, hung on the cross and went to hell so no one has to go.
 - In the garden, Jesus was in agony because He knew He had to be separated from His Father (Luke 22:44).
 - Jesus rose from the dead, and God said He was begotten again (Hebrews 1:5).
 - Abraham, God's covenant brother, was willing to sacrifice his son, Isaac.
 - Isaac was so covenant-taught and had so much faith in his father and in Abraham's God that he was willing to lie down on the altar.
 - God delivered Isaac. He said, *Now I am covenant-bound to offer My Son.*

- II. There was a direct contradiction of what God said to Abraham and the evidence of his and Sarah's bodies, yet God was faithful to keep His WORD.
 - Without physical evidence, Almighty God boldly called Abraham the father of many nations (Romans 4:17-20).
 - Abraham didn't attempt to reconcile the two. He considered not his own body, or his wife's body, or the contradiction, but considered only what God had spoken.
 - Brother Copeland declares, "I consider not my body 83 years old, but I have a covenant with God to live for 120 years on this earth!"





- He's referring to what God said man's lifespan would be (Genesis 6:3).
- The covenant promises you a long, strong life.
- We are to be like Abraham and call those things that be not as though they were, completely disregarding symptoms to the contrary (Romans 4:17).
- Abraham believed God for Isaac, and later he had six more sons and lived to be 175 years old (Genesis 25:2, 7). He learned to practice the laws of life of a blood covenant with God.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Continue to study God's covenant that He made with Jesus. Declare THE BLESSINGS over yourself and your family. Let us know of the victories you experience because of your place in God's covenant. [Click here to share your testimony](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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APPENDIX I

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Brother Copeland's prayer confessions:

"I serve the Almighty God, and according to His WORD and the covenant blood of Jesus, I call my body well. I call my life good. I call myself debt free. I call myself well and healed. I call my head well. I call my eyes well. I call my nose well. I call my sinuses well. I call my ears well. I call my neck well. All the bones in my neck are well. I call the pain gone, in the Name of Jesus. I call my throat well. I call my sinuses well. According to The WORD of God, according to His blood, I will never have the flu again. I don't have the flu; I have a covenant. I don't have colds, I have a covenant, a blood covenant, a healing covenant with the Most High God. He's my God, and I serve Him. He's my God, and I trust Him. I call my throat well. I am well. I call my body well. I call my shoulder well. My shoulder is well. I call this shoulder well. I call this arm well. This elbow joint is well. These finger joints are well. I call my right arm well. This right elbow does not have inflammation in it. I call my right elbow well. Satan, get your hands off my elbow. You're a zero, and I'm well. I call my lungs well. My lungs are well. I call my stomach well. I can my heart well.

"I call my liver well. Liver, God loves you, and I love you, and you're well. My liver and the rest of me belong to Jesus. His liver is well, and my liver is well. I have a living liver. All my living liver is well.

"I call my intestines well. I call my lower abdomen well. My colon is well, and all the lower parts of my body are well, strong and in good shape. I call my hips well. I call my SI joints well. I call my lower back well. I call my lower back pain free, because my God has taken sickness from the midst of me. It says so in the book of Exodus 23:25: 'He has taken sickness from the midst of me and the length of my days, He will fulfill.' The length of my 120 years, He will fulfill.

"I call these hips well. I call my legs well. I call my knees well. I call my thighs well. I call my sciatic nerves well. I call my toes well. I call my knees well. I call my ankles well. My feet are well.





“I feel good, I feel fine, body, get in line. I rejoice for the King of kings and The LORD of lords has declared me well. His Father, the Almighty God, has called me well.

“I believe, I will, I take it, I have a well body. I thank You for it, I praise You for it, and I forgive if I have anything against anyone. I’m well from the top of my head to the soles of my feet. I am well.”

