



## THE SECOND COVENANT: PROMISES FULFILLED

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### DAY 1 – IDENTIFY WITH JESUS

God has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness, and exceeding great and precious covenant promises. In the beginning, God and Adam, His son, were exactly alike—just as much alike as God and His Son, Jesus—until Adam broke the living covenant he had with his Father, the One who created him. As we take Communion, the Seder meal, we sometimes identify with someone at the table. You have a new identity; you are in Christ.

### STUDY IT

- I. Professor Greg Stephens has the endorsement of the International Alliance of Messianic Congregations and Synagogues to be a messianic pastor or teacher as stated by Messianic Rabbi Joel Lieberman, president of IAMCS.
  - Greg is a professor at Kenneth Copeland Bible College® and associate pastor at Eagle Mountain International Church.
- II. God has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness, and exceeding great and precious covenant promises (2 Peter 1:1-4).
  - That's God's WORD, His promise, His bond.
  - It is impossible for Him to lie (Hebrews 6:18).
  - His WORD is dependable. His Word IS, just as much as Jesus IS.
- III. To understand the new covenant, you need to understand the first covenant.
  - The promises God put in the first covenant are now ours in the second covenant.
  - What was accounted to Abraham as righteousness in the first covenant, became our right-standing with God in the second covenant (Romans 4:22).
  - The Jew had a covenant and was still subject to sin. The gentile had no covenant and was also controlled by sin. Jesus broke the power of sin for both and brought them together.
  - Jews and gentiles who believe in Jesus have come together as one new man (Romans 4:16).



- IV. In the beginning, God and Adam His son, were exactly alike—just as much alike as God and His Son, Jesus—until Adam broke the living covenant he had with his Father, the One who created him.
- God gave Adam dominion over the work of His hands. Adam, as His son, owned it all.
  - When Brother Copeland was 18 years old, his dad worked extra to buy him a motorcycle for Christmas, because he loved Kenneth. His dad purchased the motorcycle, but when he gave it to Brother Copeland, it no longer belonged to Mr. Copeland; it belonged to Kenneth.
  - In the same way, God gave the earth to Adam, so it belonged to Adam. When Adam broke the relationship, God couldn't get back into the earth.
    - A picture of this is right before the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. God is involved in the lives of men through covenant with his Friend, Abraham. He had entrance into the earth through this relationship, and before He judged sin, He first talked to Abraham.
- V. Jesus said, "Whatsoever you bind on earth then shall be bound in heaven and whatsoever you loose on earth, then shall be loosed in heaven" (Matthew 18:18).
- To get results, you must bind the devil.
  - Brother Kenneth E. Hagin told of an experience he had when Jesus appeared to him. There was a little demon yacking, and he couldn't hear what Jesus was saying. Finally, Brother Hagin told the little demon to leave in the Name of Jesus. The demon left.
  - Jesus told Brother Hagin, "If you hadn't done that, I couldn't. I don't have the authority—you do—because you have been given My Name."
    - Jesus didn't say, "Wouldn't." He said, "Couldn't."
- VI. As we take Communion, the Seder meal, we sometimes identify with someone at the table.
- Also, as we think of the Cross, we could identify with a disciple, a Roman soldier, or part of the crowd.
  - In the account of the woman with the issue of blood, we could identify with her as she made her way to Jesus for healing.
  - The person we should identify with because of covenant, is Jesus.
- VII. You have a new identity; you are in Christ.
- Don't identify with Adam anymore.
  - Sin is like when you make a recording and accidentally hit the microphone, making a loud noise. Every copy of that recording will contain the unpleasant noise.
    - When Adam fell, all of us who followed had his flaw.



- When Jesus came, He “remastered” us. He made us new creatures. The sins are all gone.
- It’s called substitution and identification. Jesus became our substitute and went to the cross, so we could change our identification. Now we identify with Jesus.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

We encourage you to read the Gospels and identify with Jesus in every situation. In this way, you will see how to let Jesus live through you. Write what Jesus did in each instance, and identify with Him both in the biblical situation and in your personal life.

Woman with the issue of blood: \_\_\_\_\_

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Man with a withered hand: \_\_\_\_\_

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Woman caught in adultery: \_\_\_\_\_

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Man who wanted eternal life: \_\_\_\_\_

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### DAY 2 – YOU ARE IN CHRIST JESUS

You are in Christ in the second covenant. Abraham didn't stagger at God's promise because he was fully persuaded that God would do what He promised. Jesus has called us to move in Him as one Body by faith. We identify with Jesus.

### STUDY IT

- I. You are in Christ in the second covenant.
  - The second covenant supersedes and fulfills the first one.
    - When flying an airplane, the law of gravity is superseded by the laws of thrust and lift.
  - "Therefore it is of faith so that it might be by grace to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed" (Romans 4:16).
  - God told Abraham, "I have made you a father of many nations" (Romans 4:17).
- II. Abraham didn't stagger at God's promise because he was fully persuaded that God would do what He promised (Romans 4:21).
  - God approached Abraham with a promise, which developed into a relationship that developed into a covenant.
  - Abraham took God at His covenant WORD.
  - Enoch was raptured; he didn't die (Genesis 5:24).
  - There was no record of anyone being raised from the dead, yet Abraham believed that God would raise his son, Isaac, from the ashes of the burnt offering (Hebrews 11:17-19).
    - That's why Abraham is in the faith "Hall of Fame" (Hebrews 11:17).
  - By making a covenant demand on His Friend, Abraham, God bound Himself, so when Jesus asked for the cup to pass from Him in the garden, God had to go through with His plan for man's Redemption.
    - Jesus knew He was the promised Lamb. He committed and subjected His body to become that.
    - Jesus was there as The WORD when Abraham and God cut covenant, walking through the blood. Jesus was there when Abraham was ready to offer Isaac.



- You can walk in the same place of faith that Abraham did—being fully persuaded (Hebrews 11:19).
  - Jesus, in the garden, was fully persuaded that He, too, would be raised from the dead. God did it before, and He would do it again.
- III. Let's look at some comparisons that Jesus, Yeshua, fulfilled:
- Jesus went to the wilderness for 40 days. It was a fulfillment of the children of Israel wandering in the wilderness for 40 years before they entered the Promised Land.
  - When Jesus was tempted in the wilderness, He fulfilled what the children of Israel had failed to do—He resisted the enemy.
  - When Joshua was ready to take the children of Israel across the Jordan River, the waters of the Jordan stood up and rolled back to a city named Adam.
    - When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River, God's dealings with man rolled all the way back to the first Adam.
  - At the time of Moses' birth, male babies were killed.
    - Babies were killed at the birth of Jesus.
    - The babies killed in Bethlehem were the first martyrs.
- IV. The time span from Abraham and Isaac to the Garden of Gethsemane looks big to us, but to God it was a small amount of time. God already knew what would happen.
- Lucifer didn't know. The devil thought he had defeated Jesus.
  - The temptation of Jesus happened after He had fasted 40 days in the desert (Matthew 4:1-11).
  - The devil tempted Jesus by saying, "If You are the Son of God, turn these stones into bread." God called Jesus "His beloved Son." The devil left out the word *beloved*.
    - The devil will *never* remind you that you are loved.
  - In one temptation, satan said, "If You will worship me, I will give all the kingdoms and their glory to You." He was saying, "You can rule the world through me without any of the pain of the Cross."
  - Jesus chose to fulfill God's WORD and not take a shortcut, which would have led to destruction.
- V. Jesus has called us to move in Him as one Body by faith.
- Using a baseball analogy, the second baseman and shortstop share the responsibility to guard second base.
  - That's like the first and second covenants; we, Jews and gentiles, share the same covenant. We were designed to work together.
  - Gentiles were called to be grafted into God's covenant, and to compliment the Jewish people—particularly messianic Jews.



VI. We identify with Jesus.

- At the crucifixion, Jesus died for us, and we died with Him. He was buried for us, and we were buried with Him. He was resurrected, and we were resurrected with Him.
- There's a difference between saying, "I walked *by* a car or *with* a car" and saying "I walked *in* the car." The word *in* changes everything. I am *in* Christ.
- Salvation is justification by faith.
- God gives me *chesed* and grace.
  - *Chesed* is usually translated *mercy*.
  - Bartimaeus called out to Jesus, "Son of David." He called Him Messiah; "Have *chesed* on me" (Mark 10:47).
  - The Syrophoenician woman called Jesus "Son of David" (Matthew 15:22).
- All THE BLESSINGS of God belong to you as if you were a seed of Abraham.
- All you have to do is walk by faith.
- Justification by faith is what salvation is. Justification is righteousness. God declares a sinner righteous. It's not a process; it is an act.
- Holiness is a process. When you got born again, you became righteous, and you grow in faith and holiness. Holiness means His divine nature becomes your nature.
- Jesus hung on the cross, facing the Holy God, in our place.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

You are in Christ. That means that what He has, you have; and what He does, you do.

Write some things that Jesus has given you (for example: the fruit of the spirit, wisdom, etc.) and some things you can do through Him (for example: pray effectively, etc.):

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### DAY 3 – BROUGHT TOGETHER IN JESUS

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### STUDY IT

- I. The Jew and the gentile have been brought together and made righteous in Christ.
  - Hebrews is a transition book to help Jewish Christians move from Judaism to Christianity.
  - When Hebrews was written, the Jewish Temple was about to be destroyed. The people needed to learn that Jesus is their eternal High Priest.
- II. To operate by faith, you need to know what feeds faith and how to be covenant minded.
  - The Orthodox Jew has never walked in the second covenant. He has no concept of where we are coming from, so that's why Jewish Christians and gentile Christians need to come together.
  - The Church did not replace Israel. We are one in Christ; He brought us together.
  - "The promise depends on faith, so that it can be experienced as a grace-gift" (Romans 4:16, *TPT*). That grace extends to all the descendants of Abraham.
  - All we've done is enter into the faith of Abraham and become fully persuaded.
  - When we receive Jesus, God's faith enters into us, and then we enter into Abraham's faith.
- III. The power of the gospel works even for people in prison.
  - People in prison can still receive forgiveness and have their lives changed.
  - If people leave prison with a prison mentality in them, they will be back in prison.
  - In Texas prisons, there was a high (90%+) return-to-prison rate.
    - Kenneth Copeland Ministries put satellite TVs in every Texas unit. We taught faith every day, and the prisoners began to let go of the prison mentality.



- The rate of return went down to 2%-3%. These people were changed!
- The most important message that prisoners need to hear is a two-part message.
  - First: There is now no condemnation to those in Christ Jesus (Romans 8:1).
  - Second: You have been made the righteousness of God in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:21).
- IV. Most churches teach that all have sinned (Romans 3:23). People need to be taught that God has justified you by faith (Romans 3:24-26).
  - "Seeing it is one God which shall justify the circumcision by faith and uncircumcision through faith" (Romans 3:30-31).
  - You are justified! Talk that way, and soon your belief will be strong, and you will know you are right with God.
    - There is no condemnation in you because of Jesus (Romans 8:1).
    - You have forgiven others, and you have nothing against anyone (Romans 13:8).
    - After trouble, the righteous get back up and keep going (Proverbs 24:16).
- V. In times of trouble, you have a choice.
  - You can pray, "God, what am I going to do?" Or, you can pray, "God, what are You going to do?"
  - Roll all the care onto Him; cast it on Him (1 Peter 5:7).
  - You have God's mercy and goodness to guide you (Psalm 23:6). Jesus already paid the price. You're in Him; He knows the next step.
  - Move into that place where you are like Jesus at the tomb of Lazarus (John 11:43-44).
    - Jesus had confidence in His absolute covenant relationship with God the Father.
    - He had to enter into that covenant to raise the dead.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

It is God's will that both Jews and gentiles come together in unity to form one new man—the Body of Christ. Let's work together so that people of every race will unify in the cause of Christ. Pray that love for Jesus Christ and for His family will triumph, and that the Church will be able to love one another as Jesus loves us.





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### DAY 4 – THE EVERLASTING COVENANT

Until about 500 B.C., the ancient paleo-Hebrew alphabet had more pictures than words. The book of Hebrews ends with a BLESSING. God's promises became available when Jesus' blood was shed. We are blessed to be in the last of the last days.

### STUDY IT

- I. The ancient paleo-Hebrew alphabet had more pictures than words, similar to Egyptian cuneiform writing.
  - More of the actual Hebrew letters used today were added around 500 B.C. Every letter in Hebrew has a symbol.
  - For example: In paleo-Hebrew, the first letter in the alphabet is *Aleph* (א) and is pictured by an ox head (means strength or head), and last letter is *Tav* (ת) and referred to as the mark (the cross).
  - *Aleph tav* means "The mark, the strength, of the covenant."
- II. The holy Name of God is *Yod He Vav He* (*He* is pronounced *Hey*).
  - *Yod* is pictured as a hand, *He* means "to behold, to see," *Vav* is pictured as a nail, and *He* again means "to behold."
  - The symbols are: hand, behold, nail, behold.
  - This helps us understand what Thomas meant when he said he wanted to see the nail prints in Jesus' hands. It was in the language he spoke.
  - Thomas wanted to see a man who was dead and now alive, with the holy Name of God pictured in His body. "Now I have seen with my own eyes and know that You are the Messiah" (John 20:25-28).
  - Peter knew Jesus was the Son of God by faith (Matthew 16:16). For Thomas, Jesus' deity was revealed when he saw it.
- III. The book of Hebrews ends with a BLESSING.
  - "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; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen" (Hebrews 13:20-21).





- THE BLESSING comes to your life because of Jesus.
- To be well-pleasing to God requires faith in the everlasting covenant.
- This is the pattern—by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8). We believe we are righteous and that is faith.

IV. God's promises became available when Jesus' blood was shed.

- God's desire for our lives is that we can receive His promise (Colossians 1:9-14).
  - God wants us to be filled with the knowledge of His will and increase in the knowledge of Him.
  - God wants us to be strengthened with all power, *dunamis*.
  - When we were born again, God delivered us from the authority of darkness, and forgave our sin.
  - Our sin was removed as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103:12).
- "Come now, let us reason together.... If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good of the land" (Isaiah 1:18-19). You obtained the promise the moment you were born again.
- The moment Jesus was raised from the dead, satan was broken. He has no authority!
- "I, even I, am He that blotteth out your transgressions..." (Isaiah 43:25-26).
  - Declare you are righteous! God doesn't remember your sin, because if He did, He couldn't BLESS you.
- THE BLESSING of Abraham doesn't have the curse attached to it. If you talk and believe like Abraham, you have THE BLESSING.
- Grace is God's overwhelming desire to treat you as if sin had never even happened.
  - Jesus is pleading with you to let Him take care of you—heal your body and your mind.
  - Receive it. It's His gift to the whole world.

V. As Christians, we can live on God's plane. It's above the speed of light.

- Inhabitants of earth live below the speed of light. Adam and God operated in both worlds.
- When Adam fell, he fell below the line separating earthly from spiritual (John 8:23).
- On earth, flesh to flesh is firm, visible and tangible; spirit to flesh is not. Above the line, spirit to spirit is firm, visible and tangible.
- Jesus functioned in both areas. He walked through the wall after His Resurrection. Jesus in His glorified body is a man on both sides of the line.
- We are headed toward this same promise.
- The everlasting covenant is taking us there! Everything that He has belongs to us!



- We are just as glorified as Jesus is. We function in the spirit realm. By faith, we are in heavenly places with Jesus (Ephesians 2:6).
- Angels sometimes go below the line, so man can see them.
- Occasionally, Jesus steps below that light line, so a person can see Him.

VI. We are blessed to be in the last of the last days.

- We are in the last of the 6,000th year, approaching the 7,000th year. We are in a sliver of time, waiting until Jesus calls us home.
- Signs of the times: The American Embassy is now in Jerusalem. The Jews saw that as a sign. They created a Temple coin with Trump on one side and Cyrus the Great (Ezra 1:1-4) on the other.
- Here's the blessed hope: You are going to be in a resurrected body. Jesus was the down payment for that.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

The covenant you are in is an everlasting covenant, so don't get impatient as you wait, with praise and thanksgiving to God, for your answers.

Remember that God answers your prayers according to His WORD. Find a scripture that supports what you are praying for and hold on to God's WORD. He never fails!

Pray with us:

*Heavenly Father, I thank You that You always hear my prayers when I pray according to Your WORD. So in accordance to Your WORD, I pray that my soul will prosper. I want my mind, my will and my emotions to line up with what You want for me. I know that according to 3 John 2, it is Your will that I be in health and prosper as my soul prospers, so whatever I need to do or change, show me because I'm ready.*

*Thank You for helping me in every way. I pray this in Jesus' Name. Amen.*





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### DAY 5 – GOD'S WORD IS TRUTH

Jesus wants to make you perfect in every good work to do His will. Jesus followed The WORD of God and the Holy Spirit in everything He did. You can find out anything you need to know by praying in faith. Through the power of God, Moses got water from a rock two times for the children of Israel in the wilderness.

### STUDY IT

- I. Jesus wants to make you perfect in every good work to do His will (Hebrews 13:21).
  - Jesus' purpose is to get you back to how man was originally created. He accomplished it by making you righteous. Now, it's a matter of growing in the things of God.
  - You are as righteous and as loved as Jesus.
  - If Jesus didn't make you righteous, then Calvary was a murder instead of a sacrifice.
  - It's wrong to say, "I'm a sinner saved by grace." Rather, you should say, "I was a sinner who was saved by grace, and now I am the righteousness of God in Christ" (2 Corinthians 5:21).
  - Don't cast that confidence and faith away (Hebrews 10:35). It's what made you who you are in the kingdom of God. It's not a light thing.
- II. Jesus followed The WORD of God and the Holy Spirit in everything He did.
  - Jesus was a Nazarene because He was from Nazareth.
  - The WORD said He would move to Capernaum, so He did. He had a big house on the lake (Matthew 4:13-15).
  - Jesus said, "Everything that I say and do is what I see and hear My Father say and do" (John 5:19, 12:49).
  - Jesus fulfilled Scripture and followed the Holy Spirit with His disciples even through their ordination service (John 13-16).
    - Jesus said, "The Father in Me, He does the works" (John 14:10).
    - He is setting the disciples up to continue the ministry. "Greater works you shall do for I go to My Father" (John 14:12).



- Whatever truth the Holy Spirit hears from Jesus, He will speak to you (John 16:13-15).
  - The Hebrew word for *truth* is *emet*. The symbols for *emet* are a bull, a crown with water and a cross. Together those symbols represent the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Jesus said to the Father, "Thy WORD is truth" (John 17:17).
- III. You can find out anything you need to know by praying in faith what Jesus said during the Covenant Meal (John 16:23-24).
- Oral Roberts built Oral Roberts University by sowing all he had financially. He stood on the property in Tulsa for hours, praying in the spirit and interpreting. As he did, God gave him the plans for the university.
  - On this side of the Cross, we have the Holy Spirit, and we can speak with tongues and pray out mysteries (1 Corinthians 14:2). It makes the devil mad because he can't understand it.
  - Without love, what we try to do for God fails. The flip side is that when we do speak with the tongues of men and angels, with love, we can know anything (1 Corinthians 13:1).
- IV. Moses had the Holy Spirit come upon him to lead and guide him as he brought the children of Israel out of Egypt, but he wasn't born again.
- He could access THE BLESSING of Abraham by faith.
  - The new birth didn't happen until after Jesus went to the cross and was raised from the dead.
    - Then, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to dwell in the believer's spirit (Acts 2:1-4).
  - God and Moses spoke face-to-face as a man speaks with his covenant *Friend* (Exodus 33:11).
  - Moses asked to see the glory of God (Exodus 33:18).
    - God showed Moses all of history (Exodus 33:19-23).
    - God said there was a place beside Him that Moses could stand (Exodus 33:21).
  - The place beside the Father is His right hand where Jesus sits (Hebrews 1:3).
    - That place belongs to Jesus, so it belongs to us because we are in Christ (Ephesians 2:6).
    - Jesus is at the right hand of the Father on the throne of grace, and we sit at the right hand of Jesus.
    - The right hand is the seat of authority, and we have been given authority on earth.



- V. Through the power of God, Moses got water from a rock two times for the children of Israel in the wilderness.
- The first time, God commanded Moses to strike the rock and water flowed out (Exodus 17:6). This is a picture of Jesus, who was struck for our healing (1 Peter 2:24).
  - The second time, God commanded Moses to speak to the rock (Numbers 20:8). This was to be a picture of the way we get our prayers answered on this side of the Cross—we speak. As Jesus said, “You have what you say” (Mark 11:23-24).
    - Moses disobeyed God and struck the rock again. Water flowed out, but Moses’ disobedience caused him to miss going into the Promised Land.
    - We must not misrepresent Jesus (Numbers 20:9-12).
  - Now you don’t strike; you speak: “Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you” (John 16:23).
  - “Ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full” (John 16:24).

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

In Christ, we have been made righteous and given a part in the second covenant that was cut between the Father and Jesus. The rights and privileges that go with that position are greater than we can imagine. As you receive God’s BLESSINGS in your life, send us your testimonies by [clicking here to share](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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