

Receiving Covenant Blessings

Contract – a legally binding agreement (has legal support behind it)

Covenant – Spiritual “pledge” to do or not to do something; It’s perpetual.

- Conditional Covenants – There are prerequisites. You have to complete/do this in order to receive (participate in) these blessings.
 - Unconditional Covenants – No strings attached, God is going to do it no matter what you do
1. Edenic – Genesis 1:26 – 31; 2:16 – 17 (*Man was innocent*)
 - a. God created man on the 6th day in his image
 - b. Be fruitful and multiply
 - c. Gave dominion over fish, fowl, cattle, every creeping thing, over all the earth
 2. Adamic Covenant – Genesis 3:14 – 19 (*Fallen Man with the promise of redemption Gen 3:14*)
 - a. Serpent
 - i. cursed, put him on his belly...eat dust
 - ii. put enmity between the serpent and the woman
 - b. Woman
 - i. Greatly multiply thy sorrow and conception
 - ii. In sorrow will bring forth children
 - iii. Thy desires will be to thy husband
 - iv. Husband shall rule over thee
 - c. Man - Cursed is the ground
 - i. In sorrow shall man eat of it all the days of his life
 - ii. Thorns and thistles shall come forth and thou shalt eat herbs of the field
 - iii. In sweat shall he eat his bread until he dies
 3. Noahic – Genesis 8:20-22; 9:11 – 13
 - a. The all flesh and the earth will not be destroyed by water again
 - b. Set the rainbow in the cloud as a sign
 4. Abrahamic Covenant – Gen 12:1 – 4, 13:14 – 18, 15:1 – 21, 17:1 – 8, 22:15 – 24 (Confirm to Abraham), 26:1 – 5 (confirmed to Isaac), 28:10 – 15 (confirmed to Jacob) [*Founds the nation of Israel and confirms the Adamic promise of redemption*]
 - a. Leave thy kindred and go to a land that I will show thee
 - b. Make of thee a great nation
 - i. Bless thee
 - ii. Make thy name great
 - iii. Thou shalt be a blessing
 - iv. Bless them that bless thee
 - v. Curse them that curse thee
 - vi. In thee shall ALL families of the earth be blessed
 - c. Land given and natural prosperity – Genesis 13:14 – 18;
 - i. For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever
 - ii. I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth
 - d. Gen 17:6 – 8,

- i. Make thee fruitful
 - ii. Make nations of thee
 - iii. Kings shall come out of thee
 - iv. I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee for an everlasting covenant to be a God to thee and thy seed
- 5. Mosaic Covenant – Summarized in Deuteronomy 11. If they obeyed, they would be blessed. If they disobeyed they would be cursed. Included the 10 commandments. Includes over 600 commands. 300 positive/300 negative.
 - a. 1st Division – The Commandments – expressing the righteous will of God
 - b. The Judgements – Governing social life of Israel
 - c. Ordinances – governing the religious life
- 6. Palestinian (Land) Covenant – Deuteronomy 29 (Intro) Deuteronomy 30 Covenant – If the Children of Israel disobeyed God, he would scatter them around the world, but he will restore the nation. Once restored, they will obey him and he will prosper them.
- 7. Davidic Covenant – 2 Samuel 7:8 – 16, 1 Chronicles 17:4 – 15. David’s lineage would last forever. His kingdom would never pass away.
- 8. New Covenant – Hebrews 8:7 - 11, Hebrews 5:9. God promises to forgive sin. We ALL have the opportunity to receive salvation as a free gift. GRACE
 - a. God will put his law into our mind and write IN their hearts (our innermost thoughts and understanding and engrave them upon our heart)
 - b. I will be their God and they shall be my people
 - c. ALL shall know me (the Lord will give EVERYONE experience and knowledge of him not us)
 - d. MERCY not justice
 - e. Our sins and iniquity he will remember no more
 - i. Sin – An overstepping of the boundary between good and evil
 - ii. Iniquity – an act that is inherently wrong
 - f. Better than the Mosaic Covenant (Heb 7:19, Romans 8:3 – 4)
 - g. Unconditional – God say “I will”. Mosaic covenant was “If you will, then I will”
 - h. Grace – Unconditional. **Romans 3:20 – 27**; 6:14 – 15, Galatians 2:16, 3:10 – 26, 4:21 – 31, Hebrews 10:11 – 17
 - i. Romans 3:20 – 17; The righteousness of God is Jesus Christ who met on our behalf every aspect of the Law. We are covered/hidden by the righteousness of God (Jesus Christ) by grace
 - ii. Romans 5:1 – 2, Justified by faith we have peace with God....we have access by *faith* into the grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

New Covenant Blessings

1. God promises to forgive ALL sin. Matthew 16:28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for man of the remission (forgiveness) of sins
2. God remembers our sins not more. Heb 8:12, 10:17, Jer 31:34
3. It doesn't matter who we are related to, it's who we trust. Col 1:12
4. There is nothing we can do to cause God to stop loving us. Romans 8:39
5. God gave us the Holy Ghost to teach. We no longer need a priest to mediate for us John 14:26
6. God is for us Romans 8:31 If God be for us who can be against us?

	New Covenant	Mosaic Covenant
Promises	Unconditional: I will	Conditional: If you will, then I will
Obedience	Willing heart and mind	From fear
Revelation	Personal	Through the Priest