

GOD'S 7 COVENANTS pt 12

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MOSAIC COVENANT pt 1

Our God is a covenant God.

- **Q: Why is He a covenant God?**
- **Q: Why does God respond to covenant?**
We need to understand what the Bible is all about.

Q: Why did God create man?

- Some say, "God created man for fellowship." But, why would God need fellowship?
- Or, "He was lonely." As God, can He be lonely?

We need to look back and understand the **story of rebellion**.

God created angels to serve Him.

He did not create them to love, or fellowship with, or to have an intimate relationship with.

- He created them (*they cannot be numbered*) with **freedom to choose**.
 - Angels were not created to be controlled.
 - They were given free will and they still have free will.
 - That's why Lucifer could rebel against God.

We do not know much about the Pre-Adamic era.

- There is still much debate about this.

Lucifer rebelled against God and became the god of this world.

- He also convinced 1/3 of all angels to follow him.
- Think about someone in the U.S. turning 1/3 of the population against the government?
 - Think of the war it would cause.

1/3 of those angels became wicked.

So, here we see a rebellion.

Even when God began the work of restoration, that rebellion was still there.

Now God creates this amazing creation and says, "*Let us make man after our image, after our likeness...*" (digest this for a moment)

- **I am created in the image of God.**
- So God is saying, "For the first time ever, I am going to do something new. I am going to create someone who looks like Me, who thinks like Me, and someone I can talk to."
 - So He creates "Adam."
 - And He begins to talk with him to the astonishment of the heavenly hosts.
 - Now, it's a one-on-one relationship.
 - He reveals His heart to Adam and has never done this to an angel.

All God was looking for was a **relationship**.

- And that relationship was so precious to Him that He gave Him His likeness, His image, and some of His ways.
- He could not fellowship with a man who didn't understand Him.

That is amazing that a piece of dust can fellowship with God.

Q: Why would God do this?

He was looking for a partner.

Someone who could make decisions with Him.

- **So man was given a place that was not given to anyone else.**

God said, *"Let us make man in OUR image, after Our likeness."*

- Father, Son, Holy Spirit

The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are not the same.

- They think, act, and react differently.
- But man will have the likeness of all three.

That puts man in a very high place above any angel.

- A place of incredible authority.
- We will judge angels.

God's intent in creating Adam was that He would completely destroy the devil.

"Why couldn't God destroy the devil Himself?"

- Let's not get into things that are not in the Bible.
- What we know is that God created man and the reason why.

The reason He created man: to give him what Lucifer lost and a whole lot more.

- To give man the earth which belonged to Lucifer at one time, to give him authority, and dominion.
- And... give him a whole lot more: being created in God's likeness and image and Satan was not.

No angel is created in God's likeness or image.

So God makes a covenant to establish an eternal relationship that cannot be broken.

- There is no covenant between God and angels.
- He makes a covenant with this man.

If you read the scriptures you will find that God has needs.

- When we worship Him we meet a need.
- When you praise Him you meet a need.
- When you pray you meet a need.

God is seeking to be sought.

He is longing to be longed for.

He is a God with such an amazingly big heart and is looking to be loved.

God created you for one reason.

- **That you might know Him intimately.**

There is a massive hole in you that cries for God.

When God made that covenant, Satan (the rebellious angel) came for one purpose... to destroy that covenant.

- He knew man would bring about his total destruction.
- That's why the second Adam had to come.

 ***“Satan was not destroyed by the Son of God...
He was destroyed by the Son of man.”***

- On the cross, the Holy Spirit left Jesus.
- When Jesus went into the underworld, He went as the Son of Man.
- That is why He is called “The Second Adam.”

The power of the Holy Spirit destroyed the works of the devil, but the man “Christ” destroyed the devil, and He destroyed him by His perfection as the second Adam.

Jesus goes to the cross, the Holy Spirit departs, and Jesus cries, *“My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”*

Jesus descends into the underworld and stands face to face with Satan, who held the office of the first man.

- God gave Adam the office of the first man, which was greater in power than the power of Lucifer, the angel, to destroy him.
 - The first man sinned and lost his office and could not fulfill God’s plan.
 - But the second Adam came and remained sinless and took the sin of the first Adam and stood there as the perfect man, destroying Satan forever.

The Holy Spirit was not there, the angels were not there.

Jesus went into the underworld by Himself.

- That’s why it says in Colossians,

Colossians 2:15 | NKJV

15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

The second Adam is Christ Jesus.

The story of the Bible is the story of **redemption**.

God made a covenant with the first Adam.

- God comes after the first Adam, who broke the covenant, and offers redemption through the seed of the woman... Christ Jesus.
- The seed of the woman carries through Noah. God gives Noah another covenant. He doesn’t cancel the Adamic, so the promises of the Adamic might remain.
- Noah’s seed, Nimrod, broke the covenant.
- God looks for another covenant man and finds Abraham and makes a covenant with him. This is the extension of the same covenant.

The Abrahamic covenant does not cancel the Adamic or Noahic.

- He adds to it.
- The terms are the same as the Noahic.
- The seal is the same as the Noahic.
- God adds an oath to it.
 - Making it eternal and indestructible.

So we see God choosing a man, Adam.

Giving him a covenant and extending it to Noah, to his seed Abraham, and to Abraham, He promises a nation to whom will belong the covenant.

- We call them “covenants,” but really it’s “one covenant” in seven revelations.
 - Abraham accepts the covenant, and it is sealed.

Now, something happens, and to this day, it's being debated and discussed, and there are controversies connected to the Mosaic Covenant.

- The early church was troubled by this Mosaic covenant and nearly had a split over it.
- If it weren't for Paul, we would still today be under the Mosaic covenant.

The early church said you cannot be saved unless you obey Moses.

- There was a sect in the early church called Judiazers.
- The early converts were all Jews who kept the law and expected every new believer to do the same.
 - Paul said, "No way." That's why he wrote Galatians.
 - Throughout his ministry, he fought the Judiazers who were trying to bring Gentiles under the Mosaic Covenant.
 - Paul refuted this and said salvation is by faith and not by works.
 - To this very day, there are Christians trying to go back to the Mosaic Law.

Q: So why did God add the Mosaic Covenant?

The Mosaic Covenant was made with Israel, God's chosen people.

- Only the nation of Israel, not the church of Jesus Christ.

The Adamic, Noahic, and Abrahamic Covenants belong to you.

The Mosaic does not.

- It belongs only to the Jewish people.

Why teach it?

- It's in the Bible.
- We need to understand it, even though we are not under it.

There was no law in the Adamic, Noahic, or Abrahamic Covenants.

- It was a covenant of grace and faith.

There was no works in the Abrahamic Covenant.

- He was commanded to simply believe.

The Mosaic is different... there is no grace or faith, there is law.

You have God promising the Messiah to Adam, to Noah, and to Abraham.

Then you look at the Mosaic and shake your head and think "*Why is this in here?*"

- Many scholars have asked the same question.

The Mosaic Covenant was made only for Israel.

- It was made after the Exodus on Mt. Sinai.
- It was made to be a **schoolmaster** to bring Israel into the faith that He spoke of in the Adamic, Noahic, and Abrahamic Covenants.

Bible scholars to this day are still debating whether the Mosaic covenant will be intact in the millennium for Israel only.

We have to understand we are looking into the bloodstream of scripture.

- We are going deep to understand.

When you think about a God of love, you are startled when you begin to look at the Mosaic.

When God gave the Mosaic Covenant, it was so detailed that no one could keep it.

- He made it so impossible to drive them back to "faith."

The Jews in Israel who obey every detail of this book can't even work because they don't have time for anything else.

This nearly collapsed the church in Acts 15.

Acts 15:1-2,5-10 | NKJV

1 And certain men came down from Judea and taught the brethren, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved."
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In other words, you have to obey the Mosaic Law.

- Customs of Moses = the Mosaic Law.

2 Therefore, when Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and dispute with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas and certain others of them should go up to Jerusalem, to the apostles and elders, about this question.

5 But some of the sect of the Pharisees who believed rose up, saying, "It is necessary to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses."

6 Now the apostles and elders came together to consider this matter. **7** And when there had been much dispute, Peter rose up and said to them: "Men and brethren, you know that a good while ago God chose among us, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. **8** So God, who knows the heart, acknowledged them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as He did to us, **9** and made no distinction between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.

The Gentiles don't have to keep the law; they will be purified and saved by faith.

10 Now therefore, why do you test God by putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

We couldn't obey the law; how will they?

Q: Again... who did God make this covenant with?

- Only with the Jews, the nation of Israel. (Deut 5:1-5; Jer 31:31-32)

Romans 5:12-14 | NKJV

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned- **13** (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. **14** Nevertheless, death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.

From Adam to Moses.

- When scripture says, “the law,” it’s referring to the Mosaic Law.
- Sin is not imputed when there is no law.
 - There had to be a law for sinners to be punished.
 - **The law was given to know what sin is.**

If there was no law, how would you know what a lie was?
The law revealed I am a sinner.

I was perplexed by a portion of scripture in 1 Peter:

1 Peter 3:18–19 | NKJV

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit, **19** by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison,

When Jesus went into the underworld and preached to the dead.

- Did He give them a second chance?
- When you study the covenant, you’ll find...

There was no law prior to Moses.

- God would be unfair to judge them if they did not know right and wrong.
- God gave us His word to explore, but we cannot go beyond the borders of scripture.