

## SINGLE ALLIANCE

### THE COVENANTS- Pt.8- The New Covenant- Pt. 1

#### I. Introduction

A. Last week we finished our study on the Mosaic Covenant. We learned:

1. The Mosaic Covenant was added to the Abrahamic Covenant to complete the necessary revelation that was missing about God [His holiness, attitude towards sin, and judgment upon sin] and about man [his sin nature and total depravity] and what he Seed of Abraham- Jesus would have to do to bless the nations.

2. The Mosaic Covenant revealed that man was a sinner and that he was dead towards God. The Law of sin and death is at work in man. The Law revealed the need for a substitutionary sacrifice to redeem man.

B. This knowledge prepared man to receive a Savior from sin, new life, and the New Covenant!

C. The Mosaic Covenant, as we saw was a prosthesis- it was "added" - Gr.

**prosthesis**- to complete the missing revelation of the Abrahamic Covenant.

[Gal 3:19](#) As a prosthesis is shaped like a real limb, so the Law was in the shape/shadow of the actual coming Messiah- Jesus- [Col 2:17](#). It pictured him.

However, the Law could not impart life. [Gal 3:21](#) A prosthesis has no life. In the New Covenant, God would take on living flesh through the incarnation and come and restore righteousness and new life to man. Jesus fulfilled the law and removed the prosthesis and then Jesus gave living legs and arms to mankind! Once a person received Christ in the New Covenant they could walk and act as they were created to!

D. Each Covenant has three main components- **the words, the blood, and the seal**. The **words of the Mosaic Covenant** were the 613 commands. The **blood of the covenant** was the sacrifices under the law, and the **seal of the covenant** was circumcision.

1. **The commands represented Jesus perfect life**

2. **The blood represented his perfect death,**

3. **The seal represents the righteousness and new life he would give under the New Covenant.**

## II. The New Covenant

### A. The New Covenant fulfills the Abrahamic Covenant and establishes it forever.

1. Jesus is the seed of Abraham- [Gen 22:18](#)
2. Jesus is the New Covenant- [Isa 42:6](#)
3. [Gen 15:17](#)- Jesus is the smoking oven- the satisfaction of God's judgment and also is the torch- the light of the world as the son of man. [Isa 49:6](#) He is both God and man. He satisfied God's wrath and judgment and also brought the light of God's mercy and love. In Christ both truth and mercy met and kissed. [Psa 85:10](#)
4. Through the finished work of Jesus in redemption the nations are blessed who receive Him. [Gal 3:13](#)

### B. The New Covenant also fulfills the Mosaic Covenant but removes it forever.

1. Jesus perfect life satisfied the 613 commands of the Law. [Mat 5:17](#)
2. Jesus perfect death satisfied each and every prescribed sacrifice- [Heb 10:5](#)
3. Jesus fulfilled the law and removed it, and provides what the Law- the prosthesis- could not- righteousness and new life. The real thing!

### C. The New Covenant was prophesied in the Old Testament

1. [Eze 18:31](#) - What the Law commanded and man could not do, the New Covenant provides- It removes transgressions and gives a new heart/spirit [Eze 11:19](#)
2. [Eze 36:25-27](#)- prophesied that the New Covenant would provide four great things!
  - a. A New Purity- Cleansing from sin and idols
  - b. A New Passion- A new disposition towards God
  - c. A New Person- A new heart/spirit
  - d. A New Power- the Holy Spirit would cause a believer to walk in the ways of God

### D. The New Covenant is the revelation of Jesus as righteousness and life.

[1Co 1:30](#), [Joh 14:6](#) Jesus is these and provides them by His grace. Man under the Law was commanded to produce these, but their utter failure under the Law proved they could not produce them. What man can't not do, Jesus does! The Law said, "Do!" the New Covenant says, "Done!"

### E. Jesus is the mediator of the New Covenant. **Covenants are built upon the principles of representation and exchange.**

1. Covenants had covenant representatives in which the group they represented were in their representative. Whatever the representative promised the whole group promised. Whatever happened to the representative happened to the group. They were wrapped up in their representative.
2. Blood was shed and the covenant representatives stood in blood and made promises to one another.
3. They also exchanged ALL their assets and liabilities.
4. Jesus stood as God's representative because He was God. He also stood as man's representative because He was a man. God was in Christ and all of mankind was in Jesus, because He was the representative for both.
5. At the cross Jesus offered up the assets of humanity. He gave God his perfect life lived as a man. This is what God demanded from man that as fallen ones we could not provide! Jesus gave His perfect life to God as man's assets. Jesus also assumed all of mankind's liabilities- He took into Himself all our sins and sin nature and brought it to the covenant table so to speak so that God could pay it for us. There God paid for the liabilities of man, by shedding the blood that flowed in Jesus' veins. Jesus blood was from His Father! It was the blood of God! God then gave in exchange to man all His assets- which is every spiritual blessing in heavenly places! God had **NO** liabilities to give to man! We just got all God's assets!

**F. Exchanges at the cross-** These are to be **accepted by faith** as present realities **BEFORE WE SEE THEM OR SENSE THEM IN THE NATURAL, AND THEN THEY WILL BE MANIFESTED!!**

1. Surely He took our sin and surely gave us His righteousness- [2Co 5:21](#)
2. Surely He took our death and surely gave us His life- [1Th 5:10](#)
3. Surely He took our sickness and surely gave us His healing/health- [1Pe 2:24](#)
4. Surely He took our poverty and surely gave us His prosperity- [2Co 8:9](#)
5. Surely He took our curse and surely gave us His blessing- [Gal 3:13](#)
6. Surely He took our rejection and surely gave us His acceptance- [Isa 53:3](#), [Eph 1:6](#)
7. Surely He took our shame and gave us His glory- [Psa 69:7-9](#)

**G. It is by these exchanges that we are to live the Christian life.** Next week we will look at how we can tap into these by faith to live in a supernatural way, by the power of the Holy Spirit.