



New Covenant of Grace Part 2

In *New Covenant of Grace Part 1*, I taught that the New Covenant of Grace is a covenant between God the Father and God the Son. In this second covenant, Jesus is perfect Man representing you and I, since the failure of the first covenant was due to imperfect man not being able keep his end of the bargain through the Law of Moses.

Hebrews 8:6

But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises.

God knew imperfect man could not cut a covenant with Him because imperfect man could not keep up and would not continue in a covenant based upon man's faithfulness. Instead, Jesus became Mediator of a better covenant which can never be broken because He has already fulfilled all its terms & conditions on your behalf.

God was able to keep both ends of the bargain: He sealed the deal with the death of His Son and guaranteed it with the resurrection of His Son. Then finally, gives the Spirit of God to you as a deposit to guarantee what belongs to you in Christ Jesus. Now, all your inheritance in Christ are better promises because you have a perfect, iron clad guarantee to every promise to come to pass in your life.

Hebrews 8:10-11

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them.

As a believer in Christ, you are now under the New Covenant of Grace. This new system is about God saying "I will..." and keeping His promise forever. In the New Covenant of Grace God says He will do three things, which summarizes your whole walk as a believer in Christ:

- Lead you from within
- Save & Keep you forever
- Know God intimately & without effort

This New Covenant would not have worked if God just set Christ before us and left us to ourselves to follow Him, receive His salvation, and love Him. If that's all God did, it would not be any different than what the Jews had in the first covenant. Like them, we would have created an external, man-powered religion based upon our goodness to fellowship with Him.

If the Lord is to set us free from externalism, ritualism, and traditionalism so that our faith can be genuinely birthed out of true love, then we needed more than two tablets of stone or white Bible paper. The Lord fully knowing the heart of man, He places His laws in our hearts to lead us from within; He asserts Himself powerfully in our lives to not just save us but keep us; He pursues us that we might know Him intimately without effort.

You can now see how the New Covenant of Grace is exactly what we needed. This New Covenant system does not leave us in our rebellion and resistance but frees us to have relationship with God and reciprocate the love we receive from Him to Him and our neighbor.

-What are these laws written in our minds and on our hearts?

It is the very person of Jesus the Christ living in and through you.

1 Corinthians 9:21

To those who are without (outside) the Law, [I became] as one without the Law, though [I am] not without the law of God, but under the law of Christ, so that I might win those who are without law.

When there was a change of covenants, there was also a change of Law. In other words, these new laws written in our hearts is not the Law of Moses; it is not an extended version of the Law of Moses or any other religious law; nor are they sets of cold commandments. Rather, it is the warm heart of Christ Himself within you. As a believer in Christ, you are without the Law, though not without the law of God because Christ Himself lives within you.

- Under the Old Covenant of Law, the laws were the Laws of Moses
- Under the New Covenant of Grace, the laws is Christ Himself

It is very important that you understand the difference between the old Law (the written code of Moses) and the new Law (Christ Himself living in you).

Hebrews 8:13

In that He says, “A new covenant,” He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

In the Old Covenant of Law, man tried to live life externally through their strength by trying to keep the Laws of Moses, and, as a result, they were strengthened to sin more on purpose. This is why the Old Covenant is obsolete and has vanished away.

In the New Covenant of Grace, Christ Himself will live life internally through you, and, as a result, you will fulfill all God-given morality instinctively with a supernatural power to be able to follow through in an effortless manner. Now, as He prompts you from within to look into the perfect Law of Liberty through the Word of God, you will feel compelled to live to know Him more intimately and without effort.

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