

The Old and New Covenants — Teaching Notes

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Part 1—The Old Covenant

The Mosaic Covenant

- ⚡ Deu 8:2 (NKJV) And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not.
- Torah – The word “*Torah*” comes from the root *yoreh*, which means “to teach.” *Torah* is referred to as “the law.” Hence, the law is that which provides authoritative guidance or instruction.
 - ❖ The foundation and basis of the Mosaic Law is the covenant God made with the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The Abrahamic covenant is a unilateral (unconditional) covenant.
 - ❖ The Mosaic Covenant was a bilateral (conditional) covenant. Though its ultimate fulfillment is dependent on God, for any generation to experience the blessings of the Abrahamic Covenant, there had to be faithfulness to God.
 - ❖ The Mosaic Law is holy, good, and spiritual. It was, however, only temporary as the book of Hebrews so clearly teaches. The Law was never designed to be a permanent rule of life.
 - ❖ It was merely a tutor or guardian to guide Israel in all areas of her life until the coming of Christ and the fulfillment of the New Covenant where the Lord promised to write His law on our hearts and in our minds.
 - ❖ The Mosaic Law is weak because it is dependent on man’s ability.
 - ❖ The Mosaic Law now stands in contrast to the grace of God as now manifested through Christ and the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit to redeem the soul and transform us into His image.
 - ❖ The 613 Mosaic Laws (written and oral), are divided into six parts as described in the next slide. It is important to see that it was an indivisible unit. Therefore, the Ten Commandments cannot be separated from the rest.
 - ❖ All areas of the Law were designed to function as a unit to guide Israel in all of its life.
 - Jas 2:10 For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.

- ❖ The Law, which is written in Hebrew, is divided into six basic segments or “orders” and further subdivided into 63 tractates with a total of 525 chapters. These six segments dealing with six basic areas of Jewish law:
 - Zeraim, literally “seeds,” covering all agricultural rules and laws for foods as well as all blessings
 - Moed, literally, “holiday,” dealing with the rituals of Shabbat and other Jewish holidays
 - Nashim, literally “women,” examining all the issues between men and women such as marriage, divorce, etc.
 - Nezikin, literally “damages,” covering civil and criminal law
 - Kodshim, literally “holy things,” concerning laws of the Temple
 - Taharot, literally “pure things,” concerning laws of spiritual purity and impurity

Blood of The Covenant

- ⌘ Lev 17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.
- ⌘ Exo 24:8 And Moses took the blood, sprinkled it on the people, and said, This is the blood of the covenant which the LORD has made with you according to all these words.
 - Heb 9:18 Therefore not even the first covenant was dedicated without blood.
 - Heb 9:22 And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.

Conditional Promises

- ⌘ Exo 19:5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.
- ⌘ Exo 19:6 And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel.
 - Jer 17:24 And it shall be, if you heed Me carefully, says the LORD, to bring no burden through the gates of this city on the Sabbath day, but hallow the Sabbath day, to do no work in it,
 - Jer 17:25 then shall enter the gates of this city kings and princes sitting on the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they and their princes, accompanied by the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and this city shall remain forever.

Blessings and Curses

- ⌘ Deu 28:1 Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the LORD your God will set you high above all nations of the earth.
- ⌘ Deu 28:2 And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the LORD your God.
 - Also read Leviticus 26, and Deuteronomy 11, 26 and 28 for the blessings and curses.
- ⌘ Deu 28:14 So you shall not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right or the left, to go after other gods to serve them.
- ⌘ Deu 28:15 But it shall come to pass, if you do not obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments and His statutes which I command you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you.
 - Gal 3:10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them.

Purpose of The Law

- ⌘ Exo 20:20 And Moses said to the people, Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin.
 - Gal 3:19 What purpose then does the law serve? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator.
 - Gal 3:21 Is the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have given life, truly righteousness would have been by the law.
 - Gal 3:24 Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.
 - Gal 3:25 But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.
 - Rom 3:20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.
 - Rom 5:20 Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more,

- Rom 5:21 so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Rom 7:7 What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, You shall not covet.

Requirements of the Law

- Deu 10:12 And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.
- Luke 10:25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?
- Luke 10:26 He said to him, What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?
- Luke 10:27 So he answered and said, You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.
- Mic 6:8 He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?

Failings of The Law

- Jer 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?
- Eze 20:21 Notwithstanding, the children rebelled against Me; they did not walk in My statutes, and were not careful to observe My judgments, which, if a man does, he shall live by them; but they profaned My Sabbaths. Then I said I would pour out My fury on them and fulfill My anger against them in the wilderness.
- Isa 64:5 You are indeed angry, for we have sinned—In these ways we continue; And we need to be saved.
- Isa 64:6 But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags.
- Eze 20:25 Therefore I also gave them up to statutes that were not good, and judgments by which they could not live.

Faith Establishes the Law

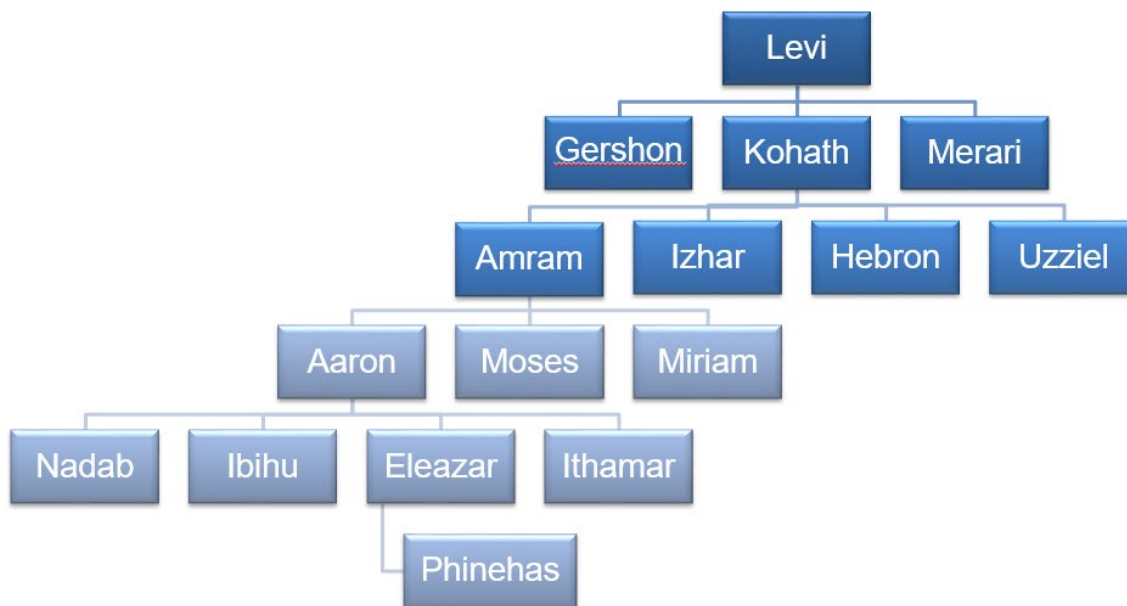
- Rom 3:31 Do we then make void the law through faith? Certainly not! On the contrary, we establish the law.
- Rom 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?
- Rom 6:2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?
- Rom 6:12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.
- Rom 6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.
- Rom 6:16 Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

Summary of the Old Covenant

- The Old Covenant or Mosaic Law was called the "Torah" or "instruction". It provided authoritative guidance.
- It was given because of transgression and sin.
- It was for the purpose of humbling, testing, and revealing the sin in our hearts.
- Knowledge of sin under the law brought God's judgment.
- It was also to teach us the fear of the Lord which is the beginning of wisdom.
- It was divided into three parts: moral (ten-commandments), social, and ceremonial.
- The law is holy, good, and spiritual. It is perfect because God is perfect.
- The law functioned as one unit. Breaking one law was the same as breaking all of it.
- The covenant of the law was made with blood.
- The law was conditional and came with blessings and curses.
- However, it was weak and temporary because it depended on man's abilities.
- The law was administered by a temporary earthly priesthood, the Aaronic priests.
- The law did not provide a means of salvation, but was intended to point us to a savior.
- The law demonstrated God's grace, as those who unintentionally sinned could seek a means of forgiveness.
- Israel failed in obeying the law, and while God's blessings through the law were promised as eternal, God's curses would eventually come to an end.
- Obeying the law required faith, not religious obligation. Therefore, faith established the law.

Part 2—The Levitical Priesthood

The Family of Levi



The Covenant with Levi

- ✠ Mal 2:4 Then you shall know that I have sent this commandment to you, That My covenant with Levi may continue, Says the LORD of hosts.
- ✠ Mal 2:5 My covenant was with him, one of life and peace, And I gave them to him that he might fear Me; So he feared Me And was reverent before My name.
- ✠ Mal 2:6 The law of truth was in his mouth, And injustice was not found on his lips. He walked with Me in peace and equity, And turned many away from iniquity.
- ✠ Mal 2:7 For the lips of a priest should keep knowledge, And people should seek the law from his mouth; For he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

The Inheritance of Levi

- ✠ Deu 10:8 At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD , to stand before the LORD to minister to Him and to bless in His name, to this day.
- ✠ Deu 10:9 Therefore Levi has no portion nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD is his inheritance, just as the LORD your God promised him.

✂ We see an interesting paradox in this verse. The promise and covenant made with Abraham stated that Israel would inherit the land. But here, an entire tribe is not given an inheritance in the land. Why?

The City Whose Builder is God

- ^{Mat 3:9} And do not think to say to yourselves, We have Abraham as our father. For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.
- ^{Heb 11:8} By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.
- ^{Heb 11:9} By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise;
- ^{Heb 11:10} for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Levites Dedicated

✂ ^{Num 3:41} And you shall take the Levites for Me—I am the LORD—instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the livestock of the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the livestock of the children of Israel.

Duties of the Levites

- ✂ ^{Deu 18:5} For the LORD your God has chosen him (the Levite) out of all your tribes to stand to minister in the name of the LORD, him and his sons forever.
- ✂ ^{Deu 21:5} Then the priests, the sons of Levi, shall come near, for the LORD your God has chosen them to minister to Him and to bless in the name of the LORD; by their word every controversy and every assault shall be settled.

The Gifts to Levi

✂ ^{Num 18:21} Behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tithes in Israel as an inheritance in return for the work which they perform, the work of the tabernacle of meeting.

The Priesthood of Aaron

- ⌘ Exo 40:12 Then you shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tabernacle of meeting and wash them with water.
- ⌘ Exo 40:13 You shall put the holy garments on Aaron, and anoint him and consecrate him, that he may minister to Me as priest.
- ⌘ Exo 40:14 And you shall bring his sons and clothe them with tunics.
- ⌘ Exo 40:15 You shall anoint them, as you anointed their father, that they may minister to Me as priests; for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations.

The Covenant with Aaron

- ⌘ Num 25:10 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying:
- ⌘ Num 25:11 Phinehas the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, has turned back My wrath from the children of Israel, because he was zealous with My zeal among them, so that I did not consume the children of Israel in My zeal.
- ⌘ Num 25:12 Therefore say, Behold, I give to him My covenant of peace;
- ⌘ Num 25:13 and it shall be to him and his descendants after him a covenant of an everlasting priesthood, because he was zealous for his God, and made atonement for the children of Israel.

The Inheritance of Aaron

- ⌘ Num 18:20 Then the LORD said to Aaron: You shall have no inheritance in their land, nor shall you have any portion among them; I am your portion and your inheritance among the children of Israel.

The Gifts to Aaron

- ⌘ Num 8:18 I have taken the Levites instead of all the firstborn of the children of Israel.
- ⌘ Num 8:19 And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the work for the children of Israel in the tabernacle of meeting, and to make atonement for the children of Israel, that there be no plague among the children of Israel when the children of Israel come near the sanctuary.

⌘ Num 18:28 Thus you (Levites) shall also offer a heave offering to the LORD from all your tithes which you receive from the children of Israel, and you shall give the LORD's heave offering from it to Aaron the priest.

⌘ Num 18:8 And the LORD spoke to Aaron: Here, I Myself have also given you charge of My heave offerings, all the holy gifts of the children of Israel; I have given them as a portion to you and your sons, as an ordinance forever.

⌘ Num 18:14 Every devoted thing in Israel shall be yours.

⌘ Num 18:15 Everything that first opens the womb of all flesh, which they bring to the LORD, whether man or beast, shall be yours; nevertheless the firstborn of man you shall surely redeem, and the firstborn of unclean animals you shall redeem.

Making Atonement

⌘ Lev 16:6 Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house.

⌘ Num 18:5 And you shall attend to the duties of the sanctuary and the duties of the altar, that there may be no more wrath on the children of Israel.

⌘ Num 15:25 So the priest shall make atonement for the whole congregation of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them, for it was unintentional; they shall bring their offering, an offering made by fire to the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their unintended sin.

The Blood of Animals

⌘ Exo 29:36 And you shall offer a bull every day as a sin offering for atonement. You shall cleanse the altar when you make atonement for it, and you shall anoint it to sanctify it.

⌘ Exo 30:10 And Aaron shall make atonement upon its horns once a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonement; once a year he shall make atonement upon it throughout your generations. It is most holy to the LORD.

— Hos 6:6 (NLT) I want you to show love, not offer sacrifices. I want you to know me more than I want burnt offerings.

Bearing the Iniquity

- ⌘ ^{Exo 28:30} And you shall put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim, and they shall be over Aaron's heart when he goes in before the Lord. So Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel over his heart before the Lord continually.
- ⌘ ^{Num 18:1} Then the LORD said to Aaron: You and your sons and your father's house with you shall bear the iniquity related to the sanctuary, and you and your sons with you shall bear the iniquity associated with your priesthood.

The Promise of Christ

- ⌘ ^{Lev 16:32} And the priest, who is anointed and consecrated to minister as priest in his father's place, shall make atonement, and put on the linen clothes, the holy garments;
- ⌘ ^{Lev 16:33} then he shall make atonement for the Holy Sanctuary, and he shall make atonement for the tabernacle of meeting and for the altar, and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.
- ⌘ ^{Lev 16:34} This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Israel, for all their sins, once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

The Sons of Zadok

- ^{Eze 44:15} But the priests, the Levites, the sons of Zadok, who kept charge of My sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from Me, they shall come near Me to minister to Me; and they shall stand before Me to offer to Me the fat and the blood, says the LORD God.
- ^{Eze 44:16} They shall enter My sanctuary, and they shall come near My table to minister to Me, and they shall keep My charge.
- ^{Eze 44:23} And they shall teach My people the difference between the holy and the unholy, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.
- ^{Eze 44:28} It shall be, in regard to their inheritance, that I (Jesus) am their inheritance. You shall give them no possession in Israel, for I (Jesus) am their possession.
- The picture here is that the Lord is the inheritance and possession of the priests, the Levites, the sons of Zadok, those who by faith did not stray from the Lord.
- Zadok is translated from Hebrew as "just" or "righteous" ones.
- All those who walk in faith are imputed the righteousness of God, both Jew and gentile. Who then are these sons of righteousness?

Part 3—The New Covenant

Melchizedek

- α ^{Heb 7:1} For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him,
- α ^{Heb 7:2} to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated “king of righteousness,” and then also king of Salem, meaning “king of peace,”
- α ^{Heb 7:3} without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.
- α ^{Heb 7:4} Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils.

The Lesser is Blessed

- α ^{Heb 7:5} And indeed those who are of the sons of Levi, who receive the priesthood, have a commandment to receive tithes from the people according to the law, that is, from their brethren, though they have come from the loins of Abraham;
- α ^{Heb 7:6} but he whose genealogy is not derived from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises.
- α ^{Heb 7:7} Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better.
- α ^{Heb 7:8} Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives.

Changing The Priesthood

- α ^{Heb 7:9} Even Levi, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, so to speak,
- α ^{Heb 7:10} for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him.
- α ^{Heb 7:11} Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron?
- α ^{Heb 7:12} For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law.

A High Priest Forever

- α ^{Heb 7:15} And it is yet far more evident if, in the likeness of Melchizedek, there arises another priest
- α ^{Heb 7:16} who has come, not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an endless life.
- α ^{Heb 7:17} For He testifies: You are a Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.
- ^{Psa 110:4} The LORD has sworn And will not relent, You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.
 - נִשְׁבַּע יְהוָה וְלֹא יִנָּחֵם אֶתֶּה-כֹּהֵן לְעוֹלָם עַל-דִּבְרֹתַי מֶלְכִי-צֶדֶק
 - Swears YHVH and will not relent, you are a priest to the world upon My word, Malchi-Tzedek (King of Righteousness).

The Covenant with David

- ^{2Sa 7:4} But it happened that night that the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying,
- ^{2Sa 7:5} Go and tell My servant David, Thus says the LORD: Would you build a house for Me to dwell in?
- ^{2Sa 7:6} For I have not dwelt in a house since the time that I brought the children of Israel up from Egypt, even to this day, but have moved about in a tent and in a tabernacle.
- ^{2Sa 7:7} Wherever I have moved about with all the children of Israel, have I ever spoken a word to anyone from the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd My people Israel, saying, Why have you not built Me a house of cedar?
- ^{2Sa 7:8} Now therefore, thus shall you say to My servant David, Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the sheepfold, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people, over Israel.
- ^{2Sa 7:9} And I have been with you wherever you have gone, and have cut off all your enemies from before you, and have made you a great name, like the name of the great men who are on the earth.
- ^{2Sa 7:10} Moreover I will appoint a place for My people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own and move no more; nor shall the sons of wickedness oppress them anymore, as previously,
- ^{2Sa 7:11} since the time that I commanded judges to be over My people Israel, and have caused you to rest from all your enemies. Also the LORD tells you that He will make you a house.

- 2Sa 7:12 When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.
- 2Sa 7:13 He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.
- 2Sa 7:14 I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the blows of the sons of men.
- 2Sa 7:15 But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I removed from before you.
- 2Sa 7:16 And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever.

The Root of Jesse

- Isa 11:1 There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.
- Isa 11:10 And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, Who shall stand as a banner to the people; For the Gentiles shall seek Him, And His resting place shall be glorious.
- Rom 15:12 And again, Isaiah says: There shall be a Root of Jesse; and He who shall rise to reign over the gentiles, in Him the gentiles shall hope.

David Their King

- Jer 30:9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, And David their king, Whom I will raise up for them.
- Hos 3:5 Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They shall fear the LORD and His goodness in the latter days.

Christ, The Branch

- Zec 6:12 Then speak to him, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, saying: Behold, the Man whose name is the BRANCH! From His place He shall branch out, And He shall build the temple of the LORD;

- Zec 6:13 Yes, He shall build the temple of the LORD. He shall bear the glory, And shall sit and rule on His throne; So He shall be a priest on His throne, And the counsel of peace shall be between them both.
- 1Co 2:7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory,
- 1Co 2:8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Annulling the Old Covenant

- α Heb 7:18 For on the one hand there is an annulling of the former commandment because of its weakness and unprofitableness,
- α Heb 7:19 for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, there is the bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.
- α Heb 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.
- α Heb 8:7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second.
- α Heb 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.

The New Covenant

- α Heb 12:22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels,
- α Heb 12:23 to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect,
- α Heb 12:24 to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.
 - Isa 47:6 I have made you hear new things from this time, Even hidden things, and you did not know them.
 - Isa 47:7 They are created now and not from the beginning; And before this day you have not heard them.
 - Jer 31:31 Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—

- Jer 31:32 not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD.
- 2Co 3:5 Not that we are adequate in ourselves to consider anything as coming from ourselves, but our adequacy is from God,
- 2Co 3:6 who also made us adequate as servants of a new covenant, not of the letter (of the law) but of the Spirit; for the letter (of the law) kills, but the Spirit gives life.
- 2Co 3:7 But if the ministry of death, in letters (of the law) engraved on stones, came with glory, so that the sons of Israel could not look intently at the face of Moses because of the glory of his face, fading as it was,
- 2Co 3:8 how will the ministry of the Spirit fail to be even more with glory?
- 2Co 3:9 For if the ministry of condemnation (under the law) has glory, (how) much more does the ministry of righteousness (in Christ) abound in glory.

Giving of the New Covenant

- Luk 22:19 And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.
- Luk 22:20 And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.

An Everlasting Covenant

- α Heb 13:20 Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant.
- Isa 45:22 Look to Me, and be saved, All you ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.
 - Isa 49:6 I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.
 - Isa 55:1 Ho! Everyone who thirsts, Come to the waters; And you who have no money, Come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk Without money and without price.
 - Isa 55:3 Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live; And I will make an everlasting covenant with you— The sure mercies of David.
 - Isa 55:4 Indeed I have given him as a witness to the people, A leader and commander for the people.

- Isa 55:5 Surely you shall call a nation you do not know, And nations who do not know you shall run to you, Because of the LORD your God, And the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you.

The Perfect Sacrifice

- α Heb 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.
- α Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- α Heb 2:17 Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.
- α Heb 7:27 who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.
- α Heb 9:13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,
- α Heb 9:14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?
 - Isa 63:8 For He said, Surely they are My people, Children who will not lie. So He became their Savior.
 - Isa 63:9 In all their affliction He was afflicted, And the Angel of His Presence saved them; In His love and in His pity He redeemed them; And He bore them and carried them All the days of old.
 - Gal 3:13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree),
 - Gal 3:14 that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

The Perfect High Priest

- α Heb 4:15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

- α ^{Heb 5:9} And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,
- α ^{Heb 7:26} For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;
- α ^{Heb 7:28} For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever.
- α ^{Heb 9:15} And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

Fear The Lord

- α ^{Heb 10:26} For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,
- α ^{Heb 10:27} but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.
- α ^{Heb 10:29} Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?
- α ^{Heb 10:31} It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.
- α ^{Heb 10:38} Now the just shall live by faith; but if anyone draws back, my Soul has no pleasure in him.
 - ^{Joh 15:22} If I (Jesus) had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.
 - ^{Act 17:30} Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent.

Part 4—The Old Versus the New

The Old Commandments

- ^{Deu 5:27} You (Moses) go near and hear all that the Lord our God may say, and tell us all that the Lord our God says to you, and we will hear and do it.
- ^{Mat 22:35} Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying,
- ^{Mat 22:36} Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?

- Mat 22:37 Jesus said to him, You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.
- Mat 22:38 This is the first and great commandment.
- Mat 22:39 And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
- Mat 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.
- Gal 5:14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

The New Commandment

- Joh 13:34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.
- Joh 13:35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.
- Joh 15:12 This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.
- Joh 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

The Old Verses the New

Core Commandments of the Old Covenant

- Deu 6:5 You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.
- Lev 19:18 You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Core Commandments of the New Covenant

- Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
- Joh 13:34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

Core Commandments of the Old Covenant

- The Old Covenant is rooted in my "finite" ability to love God and love my neighbor.

- ^{Exo 24:12} Then the LORD said to Moses, Come up to Me on the mountain and be there; and I will give you tablets of stone, and the law and commandments which I have written, that you may teach them.

Core Commandments of the New Covenant

- The New Covenant is rooted in God's "infinite" love for me.
- ^{Jer 31:33} But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

A Debtor of the Law

- ^{Gal 4:21} Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law?
- ^{Gal 4:22} For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman.
- ^{Gal 4:23} But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise.
- ^{Gal 5:3} And I testify again to every man who becomes circumcised that he is a debtor to keep the whole law.
- ^{Gal 5:4} You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.

Delivered from the Law

- ^{Rom 7:6} But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.
- ^{2Co 3:4} And we have such trust through Christ toward God.
- ^{2Co 3:5} Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God,
- ^{2Co 3:6} who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

Redeemed from the Curse

- ^{Gal 3:13} Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree),

- Gal 3:14 that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Weak and Beggarly Elements

- Gal 4:9 But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you desire again to be in bondage?
- Gal 4:10 You observe days and months and seasons and years.
- Gal 4:11 I am afraid for you, lest I have labored for you in vain.

His Righteousness

- Isa 26:12 LORD, You will establish peace for us, For You have also done all our works in us.
- Isa 54:17 This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me, Says the LORD.

Trusting in Self Righteousness

- Eze 33:13 When I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, but he trusts in his own righteousness and commits iniquity, none of his righteous works shall be remembered; but because of the iniquity that he has committed, he shall die.
- Rom 10:3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.
- Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.
- Gal 5:18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Nothing is Unclean

- Rom 14:14 I know and am convinced by the Lord Jesus that there is nothing unclean of itself; but to him who considers anything to be unclean, to him it is unclean.
- Rom 14:15 Yet if your brother is grieved because of your food, you are no longer walking in love. Do not destroy with your food the one for whom Christ died.

- ^{1Co 10:23} All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful; all things are lawful for me, but not all things edify.
- ^{1Co 10:24} Let no one seek his own, but each one the other's well-being.
- ^{1Co 10:25} Eat whatever is sold in the meat market, asking no questions for conscience' sake.

Promise of the Holy Spirit

- ^{Eze 36:26} I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.
- ^{Eze 36:27} I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.
- ^{Joe 2:28} And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions.

Giving of the Holy Spirit

- ^{Joh 14:23} Jesus answered and said to him, If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.
- ^{Joh 14:24} He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me.
- ^{Joh 14:25} These things I have spoken to you while abiding with you.
- ^{Joh 14:26} But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.
- Sealed with The Holy Spirit
- ^{Eph 1:13} In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,
- ^{Eph 1:14} who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.

Receiving the Holy Spirit

- ^{Jer 4:4} Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, And take away the foreskins of your hearts.

- Gal 3:14 That the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.
- Joh 15:5 I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.
- Eph 5:18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit.
- Act 13:52 And the disciples were continually filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit

- Mar 3:29 But he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is subject to eternal condemnation,
- Mar 3:30 because they said, He has an unclean spirit.

Brotherly Love

- α Heb 12:14 Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:
- α Heb 13:1 Let brotherly love continue.
- α Heb 13:2 Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.
- α Heb 13:3 Remember the prisoners as if chained with them—those who are mistreated—since you yourselves are in the body also.
- α Heb 13:5 Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, I will never leave you nor forsake you.

Be Filled With God's Love

- Joh 15:9 Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love.
- Joh 15:10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.
- Joh 15:11 These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.
- Joh 15:12 This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you.

- Joh 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends.

Love Leads to Repentance

- Act 20:20 (Paul says) how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you publicly and from house to house,
- Act 20:21 solemnly testifying to both Jews and Greeks of repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Rom 2:4 Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

If I Have Not Love

- 1Co 13:1 If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
- 1Co 13:2 If I have the gift of prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.
- 1Co 13:3 And if I give all my possessions to feed the poor, and if I surrender my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.
- 1Joh 4:8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

A Royal Priesthood

- α Heb 12:28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.
- 1Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Sacrifice of Praise

- Α ^{Heb 13:15} Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.
- Α ^{Heb 13:16} But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.
- Α ^{Heb 13:17} Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

May You be Complete

- Α ^{Heb 13:20} Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,
- Α ^{Heb 13:21} make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

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