

Your Covenant with God: The Power of the Blood Covenant Lesson 8: New Covenant Promises, Prayer & Sanctification

Introduction / Review

Hebrews 8:6

If we truly understood our covenant with God, we would never live in defeat.

Review of some of the main points:

- After Adam and Eve sinned, God began working immediately on His plan to redeem us from Satan's bondage.
- In order for God to legally work in the earth and bring about our freedom from Satan, He had to establish a covenant with a man. He did this with Abraham.
- All of the promises God made to Abraham belong to us too when we are in Christ.
- We have been set free from the curse of the law and have inherited the blessings of God.
- The Book of Hebrews shows us the difference between the Old Covenant and the New Covenant.

Galatians 3:29 – New Living Translation

And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you.

New Covenant Promises

Romans 8:32

1. In the New Covenant you have all of God's good things.

Definition of ALL:	

In the New Covenant, everything the Father has belongs to us. He has given us everything we need.
Everything is a part of our covenant.
3 John 1:2
2. In the New Covenant we share with Jesus in an inheritance.
Romans 8:16, 17
Romans 8:16, 17 – Message Bible God's Spirit touches our spirits and confirms who we really are. We know who he is, and we know who we are: Father and children. And we know we are going to get what's coming to us-an unbelievable inheritance!
3. In the New Covenant we can expect to be victorious.
Romans 8:37
Definition of MORE THAN CONQUERORS:
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To win more than an ordinary victory
To gain a surprising victory
4. In the New Covenant God there is no need to fear your enemies, because God is greater.
Romans 8:31
If I am in covenant with God, it doesn't matter who comes against me. God is greater.
Psalm 118:6
Why is God on your side? It is the same side because of the covenant.
He didn't move over to your side. You moved over to His side.
5. In the New Covenant Jesus gives you His strength to do all things.

Philippians 4:13

Definition of ALL THINGS:
• Any
• Whole
It is a curse to start something and not finish it. Some people do this repeatedly in their lives.
Jesus has given you
Philippians 4:13 – New International Reader's Version I can do everything by the power of Christ. He gives me strength.
When we operate by His power we have strength.
This is covenant. – We gave Him our weakness and He gave us His strength.
Philippians 4:13 – Easy To Read Version Christ is the one who gives me the strength I need to do whatever I must do.
This is what a covenant is – an exchange.
We gave God our sin. He gave us His
We gave God our sickness. He gave us His
We gave God our poverty. He gave us His
We gave God our weakness. He gave us His
Ephesians 6:10
Ephesians 6:10 – Contemporary English Version Finally, let the mighty strength of the Lord make you strong.
Do not confess that you can't make it and that you do not know what to do. This is not covenant language.

6. In the New Covenant God gives you His armor.

Ephesians 6:11

Whose	armor? –	God's	armor
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7. In the New Covenant God gives you financial abundance.
2 Corinthians 8:9
"Rich" refers to This entire chapter (and the next chapter) has to do with your finances.
8. In the New Covenant we can use the name of Jesus.
You are a part of God's family, so you can use the family name.
John 16:23, 24
9. In the New Covenant you have the mind of Jesus!
1 Corinthians 2:16
The word "Christ" speaks of "the anointed one".
Your mind has
• You have
You can think clearly.
• You are free from problems of the mind!
10. In the New Covenant God gives you His righteousness.
2 Corinthians 5:21 .
New Covenant Prayer
We have already looked at Abraham's covenant with God and how the covenant enabled him to stand in the gap and intercede for others. The covenant Abraham had with God greatly changed his prayer life.
Abraham took his place in the covenant when he prayed for Sodom and Gomorrah. He understood his rights and privileges in the covenant.
Genesis 18:22, 23
Moses understood his covenant when he for the children of Israel.

Joshua knew the power of the covenant when he commanded the sun to stand still.
In the New Covenant every believer has
Isaiah 43:25, 26
When God told us to put Him in remembrance, it simply means we are to remind Him of His covenant promises. When we pray we bring God's Word into our prayers.
Isaiah 45:11
John 15:7
The word "ask" means
This does not mean we are arrogant and command God. But it does mean that the Word of God in our covenant gives us the right to draw His attention to our prayers.
Isaiah 55:9, 10
These verses are telling us that we can count on the Word to work. Just like we can be sure that the rain will fall down onto the ground and bring a harvest, we can be sure the Word of God will accomplish what it is sent out to do.
Jeremiah 1:12 You have seen well, for I am ready to perform My word.
God is waiting for his children toand pray the Word of God.
When He hears in prayer, He has a covenant obligation to move on our behalf.
John 15:7, 8
The key to answered prayer and spiritual fruit is that we have the Word of God abiding in us.

The problem is that many believers do not have the Word of God abiding in them.

If we are living in the Word of God, when we go to pray, the Word will flow from my hearts out of our mouths.

Matthew 12:34

1 John 5:14, 15

If a believer has the Word of God abiding in them. Father's will.	, they will never ask for anything outside of the
The Word of God and the will of God	
We live in the New Covenant	
Luke 13:10-16	
It is possible to live	of your covenant and allow Satan to bind you.
What did Jesus say when he laid hands on the wor	nan? – "You are loosed."
He did not say, "I am going to loose you." He said	d, "You are loosed."
When she heard that, she was healed. It is important to understand that you have these th	nings now.
You are not waiting. You are not hoping.	
We need to learn how to walk in our covenant.	
Sanctified	
We have seen that a covenant involves exchange. to me.	I gave something to God. He gave something
But now what are we supposed to do? Is it possib	le to walk outside of the covenant?
Up until this point, we have mostly talked about Glooked much at our responsibility.	dod's part of the covenant. But we have not
1 Corinthians 6:11	
You are sanctified.	
Definition of SANCTIFIED:	
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You belong to God.	

This text begins to talk about living holy or righteous.

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Now that you are in covenant with God, you do not belong to yourself anymore.

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You were made righteous by God. You did not earn it. It was completely by His grace.

But now you have to walk in that righteousness every day. That is what being sanctified means. It is realizing that you are set apart. You are not your own.

Righteousness is a ______. Sanctification is a ______.

2. Everything God gave to me is meant to be given away by me.

He gave you his love – you give it away.

He gave you his strength – you give it away for the sake of His kingdom.

He gave you financial blessing – you give it away.

3. In order to do these two things (live holy and give everything away) I must decide to reject selfishness.

This means you reject _____

When you decide to walk daily in your covenant you are rejecting the spirit of the world.

Saved but living outside of the covenant

A Christian can walk away from the covenant by living selfishly and being comfortable with worldly things.

James 4:4

James is writing to Christians.

It is important to understand that God has ______ for you to take.

When a believer chooses to take a worldly path, he sets himself up in direct opposition to God, because he is choosing to not walk on God's path.

He says that if we move away from our covenant with God and become a friend to the world we are enemies of God.

Definition of ENEMY:

- In the Greek, the word is used to describe enemies in a war or military conflict.
- It describes feelings of animosity and hostility between two people.

There is no mistake. God has these feelings toward a believer who transfers their devotion to the world from Him.

What does this look like? – A believer choosing to make his relationship with the world greater than his relationship with God.

God actually views this as _____

Why is the language so strong? Because it is a violation of the covenant.

Romans 8:31

But what if God takes a stand against us and our actions because our actions are wrong?

Matthew 6:24

It is impossible to give our hearts to two masters. We must choose between God and mammon.

Mammon was a word used by Jewish people living in the time of Jesus to describe worldliness

So Jesus was actually saying it is impossible to serve God and worldliness.

A servant's lifetime responsibility was to serve his master.

A servant catered to his master's every wish, desire, or demand.

He was there to help assist in fulfilling his master's wants and dreams to the exclusion of everything else.

Jesus was saying that both God and the world require time, attention, energy, and money.

To truly serve God, we must spend time with Him.

Why? – I need to know His voice.

I need to develop a pattern of obedience in my walk with Him. This demands my attention – prayer, worship, reading the Bible, being a part of the church

If a person chooses to serve the world, that requires all of his attention and time. A choice must be made.

Questions to ask yourself

- Who are you serving right now?
- What most requires your time and attention?
- Can you truly say that you are giving God your fullest attention and that the chief priority in your life is to serve and obey Him?
- Are worldly pursuits, possessions, and success consuming your thoughts and energies?
- What do you think about more than anything else in life? Your answer will tell you what you are serving most.

James 4:4-6

In context this is still talking about the one who has walked away from the covenant.	
It says that God	that person.
Definition of RESIST:	
• To militarily order oneself against someone else.	
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When a believer turns His devotion from God to the world, God sets Himself up in opposition to that believer.

The only thing that believer can do to get things right again is to repent.

As terrible as it sounds, God's resistance against you is His grace. He wants you to get back on His path.

Here is what many people have to watch out for –

The blessings that came to you because of your covenant cannot become your focus and steal your heart.

God is not against you having things, possessions, and blessings. However, He is against those things becoming what we pursue and taking all of our time, energy, and focus. (Job, career, money, ministry, family, etc.)

When the things of this world move from our hands to our hearts, it is a violation of the covenant.