

Covenant or Testament

What does covenant and testament mean? Greek: 1242- Strong's concordance = dee-ath-ay'-kay; From 1303; prop. A disposition, i.e. (spec.) a contract (espec. A devisory will):- covenant, testament.

The reason I am doing this study is because I don't think many of us know what covenant we are suppose to be in. It's the difference of old or new, or law or grace, or both. To tell you the truth it seems to be our choice. Let us look at some scripture and ask ourselves where we stand.

Deut-18:15-19	K/V- 18.	<p>15 The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;</p> <p>16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not.</p> <p>17 And the LORD said unto me, They have well spoken that which they have spoken.</p> <p>18 <u>I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.</u></p> <p>19 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.</p> <p>Question: Did God rise up that Prophet or not? And did that Prophet do what God said, and who is that Prophet? Look at this next scripture.</p>
John-14:9-15	K/V- 10.	<p>9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?</p> <p>10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? <u>the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.</u></p> <p>11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.</p> <p>12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.</p> <p>13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.</p> <p>14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.</p> <p>15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.</p>
Jer-31: 31-34	K/V- 31. K/V- 32.	<p>31 <u>Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:</u></p> <p>32 <u>Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:</u></p> <p>33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.</p> <p>34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.</p> <p>Question: Did He make a new covenant or not? Look at these next scriptures</p>
Matt-26:26-28	K/V- 28.	<p>26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.</p> <p>27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;</p> <p>28 <u>For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.</u></p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Mk-14:24.) (Lk-22:20.) (1-Cor-11:25.)</p>

John-6:51-58	K/V- 54.	<p>51 I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.</p> <p>52 The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us his flesh to eat?</p> <p>53 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.</p> <p>54 <u>Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.</u></p> <p>55 For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.</p> <p>56 He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.</p> <p>57 As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.</p> <p>58 This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.</p> <p>Question: Who's flesh are you eating and whose blood are you drinking, In other words what covenant are you in?</p>
Luke-1:70-75	K/V- 72.	<p>70 As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began:</p> <p>71 That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;</p> <p>72 <u>To perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;</u></p> <p>73 The oath which he sware to our father Abraham,</p> <p>74 That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear,</p> <p>75 In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.</p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Lev-26:40-42.42.) (Acts-13:33-35.34.) (Rom-9:18.) (2-Cor-1:3.) (2-Cor-4:1.) (Eph-2:4.) (Heb-2:16-18.17.) (Heb-4:15-16.16.) (Heb-8:12-13.12.)</p> <p>Question: Did you receive this mercy and where does this mercy come from? Look at this next scripture</p>
Rom-9:1-8	K/V- 3. K/V- 4.	<p>1 I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost,</p> <p>2 That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.</p> <p>3 For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen <u>according to the flesh:</u></p> <p>4 Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and <u>the covenants,</u> and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises;</p> <p>5 Whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.</p> <p>6 Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel:</p> <p>7 Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.</p> <p>8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.</p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Rom-8:1.) (Rom-8:13-14.) (Gal-2:16.) (Gal-5:19-26.) (Gal-6:8.) (1-Cor-15:50.)</p> <p>Question: Do you walk according to the flesh or the Spirit?).</p>

Gal-4:21-31	K/V- 23. K/V- 24.	<p>21 Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? 22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the <u>bondwoman was born after the flesh</u>; but he of the freewoman was by promise. 24 Which things are an allegory: <u>for these are the two covenants</u>; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. 25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. 26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. 28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. 29 But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now. 30 Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman. 31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.</p>
Eph-2:8-13	K/V- 12.	<p>8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. 11 Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; 12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and <u>strangers from the covenants of promise</u>, having no hope, and without God in the world: 13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. Question: Do you have Jesus Christ? (2-Cor-13:5.)</p>
Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 7.	<p>6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. 7 <u>For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.</u> 8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: 9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. 10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: 11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. 12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. 13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away. Connecting Scriptures: (Gal-5:4.) (Eph-2:8-9.) Question: 1. If the first covenant had fault why do you want to teach it all the time? 2. And Why do you always want to teach it?</p>
Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 8.	<p>8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I <u>will make a new covenant</u> with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: Question: Has that new covenant been made or not?</p>
Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 9.	<p>9 <u>Not</u> according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; <u>because they continued not in my covenant</u>, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. Question: What does the word not mean to you? And if they could not continue in that covenant why do you think you can?</p>

Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 10.	<p>10 <u>For this is the covenant that I will make</u> with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; <u>I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:</u></p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Rom-8:15.) (Gal-4:6) (1-Cor-2:16) (Phi-2:5) (Phii-4:7.) (Heb-10:14-19)</p> <p>Question: Have you received this covenant or not, is God's laws in your mind and written on your heart? (1-Peter-3:15.)</p>
Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 11.	<p>11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.</p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Matt-10:24.) (Matt-28:20.) (Lk-12:12.) (Jn-3:2.) (Jn-10:27.) (Jn-13:13.) (Jn-14:26.) (Rom-8:14.) (Gal-1:11-12.) (Eph-4:20-21.) (1-Thes-4:9.) (1-Jn-2:27.) (2-Cor-13:5.)</p> <p>Question: Who is teaching you man or God? And do you know God? (Jn-14:17.) (Jn-17:3.) (Matt-7:21-23.)</p>
Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 12.	<p>12 <u>For I will be merciful</u> to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their <u>iniquities will I remember no more.</u></p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Matt-5:7.) (Jn-1:17.) (Eph-2:8-9.)</p> <p>Question: Have you received the covenant of grace and the forgiveness of sins? If you have received Jesus and follow Him you have. And you will be merciful also.</p>
Heb-8:6-13	K/V- 13.	<p>13 In that he saith, <u>A new covenant, he hath made the first old.</u> Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.</p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (Jn-3:3-5.) (Jn-3:30.) (Jn-19:30.) (Rom-7:4-6.) (1-Cor-2:2.) (Eph-3:16-17.) (Acts-4:12.)</p> <p>Question: Are you denying yourself, and is Jesus Christ increasing in you, you know the scriptures look at these: (Lk-14:27.) (Jn-15:1-10.4.) (1-Jn-2:6.)</p>
Heb-10:28-31	K/V- 29.	<p>28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:</p> <p>29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, <u>who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?</u></p> <p>30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.</p> <p>31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.</p> <p>Connection Scriptures: (Jn-12:48.) (Jn-6:68-69.)</p> <p>Question: How important is the Son of God and the blood of the new covenant to you?</p>
Heb-12:22-25	K/V- 24.	<p>22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,</p> <p>23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,</p> <p>24 And <u>to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant,</u> and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.</p> <p>25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:</p> <p>Connecting Scriptures: (1-Tim-2:5.) For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, (Jn-14:6.) (Heb-4:16.)</p> <p>Question: Who is your mediator?</p>
Heb-13:20-21	K/V- 20.	<p>20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, <u>through the blood of the everlasting covenant,</u></p> <p>21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.</p> <p>Connecting Scripture: (Lk-1:50.) (Jn-3:15.) (Jn-6:54.) (Jn-10:27-30.) (Jn-17:1-3.)</p>