

# COVENANT

## The Old Covenant

“God who keeps covenant” Deuteronomy 7:9

*Old Covenant: Relational promises between God and His people before the cross!*

### **Promise After Fall** “Crush his head” (Genesis 3:15)

Before God addresses the guilt and the consequences of Adam and Eve’s sin (vv. 16-23) He gently pursues them (vv. 8-13), judges the serpent (v. 14) and makes a promise of ultimate victory (v. 15). Making and keeping covenant is God’s love response to sin. Each covenant is a promise that relational love will be fully restored!

Consider the following **covenants** and **promises**.

What patterns do you see? How are they united as one story of love? How do they display God’s character and man’s fallen nature? How does each promise/covenant point forward to Christ? How do they show God’s *relational love* for His people?

### **Covenant with Noah** “Never again” (Genesis 6:18; 8:20-9:17)

- Covenant Unfaithfulness: Every thought of man was only evil continually (Gen. 6:5)
- Invitation of Love: Be fruitful and multiply (9:1,7)
- Promise of Love: I will never destroy all flesh with a flood (8:21; 9:15)

### **Covenant with Abram** “To your offspring...” (Genesis 12 &15)

- Covenant Unfaithfulness: After the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9)
- Invitation of Love: Go (12:1); Believe (15:6); Circumcision (17:9-14)
- Promise of Love: Offspring (12:2; 15:5; 17:4-6); Land (15:18; 17:8)

### **Covenant with Moses** (Ex. 20-40)

- Covenant Unfaithfulness: After exodus from Egyptian slavery
- Invitation of Love: Keep the Law
- Promise of Love: The Law of Love
- Moral Law (20:1-26); Civil Law (21:1-24:18); Ceremonial Law (25:1-40:38)
- Promises of the Sanctuary (Psalm 77:13)
- Promises of Feasts of the Lord (Lev. 23)
- Covenant Renewal (Deuteronomy 29; Nehemiah 9-10)

### **Covenant with David** “kingdom will last forever” (2 Sam. 7:4-17)

- Covenant Unfaithfulness: After moral decay in time of judges and in reign of Saul
- Promise of Love: Make your name great(v. 9), give a place for my people (v. 10), give rest(v.11), establish kingdom forever(v. 12-16)

### **Promises of Prophecy** Daniel 9 (After Babylonian Captivity)

- Prayer to covenant keeping God (Daniel 9:3-19)
- Prophecy of Messiah to confirm covenant (Dan. 9:24-27)