

Summary of The Covenants & 2 Corinthians 3

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Keys of the Kingdom: The Covenants & 2 Corinthians 3

Main Topic: Continuity and Fulfillment of Biblical Covenants

- The speaker discusses the ongoing validity of the Abrahamic, Sinai, and Noahide covenants, emphasizing that the New Covenant, inaugurated by Yeshua (Jesus), does not abolish previous covenants but coexists with them.
- The New Covenant is described as "new" and "better," distinct from but not replacing earlier covenants; all remain applicable to believers today.
- Paul's teachings are cited (especially from Galatians and Corinthians), noting that newer covenants do not nullify previous promises.
- The concept that the various covenants "walk together hand in hand" is highlighted, using different theological terms for their interrelation.
- Believers are encouraged to obey these covenants as part of their faith walk in Yeshua, who is regarded as Redeemer and of the same essence as the Father and Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3: The Letter and the Spirit

- The speaker provides a verse-by-verse commentary on 2 Corinthians 3, focusing on Paul's contrast between the "tablets of stone" (the Law) and the "tablets of flesh" (work of the Spirit).
- The Law (tablets of stone, 10 commandments) served to reveal sin, offer blessings/curses, and provide a framework for faith-based obedience, but could not provide eternal life or perfect the worshipper.
- By contrast, the Spirit (through faith in Yeshua) grants eternal life,

representing the “deposit” of the Holy Spirit and hope of resurrection.

- Paul’s statement “the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life” is explained: the Law reveals God’s character and humanity’s shortcomings but cannot overcome the death curse—only Yeshua’s work can.
- The “ministry of death” (Law) is described as glorious but insufficient for eternal life, whereas the “ministry of the Spirit” brings greater glory by imparting righteousness and resurrection.

Faith, Obedience, and the Role of the Law

- Righteousness before Yeshua was based on faith expressed through obedience to the Law, but even then, eternal life awaited the Messiah’s redemptive work.
- Eternal life and the defeat of death come exclusively through Yeshua’s resurrection, not by works of the Law alone.
- Believers are urged to maintain faith and trust in God, engaging in obedience as an act of faith, while recognizing that salvation is God’s act through Yeshua.

The Veil and Spiritual Understanding

- Paul’s analogy of the “veil” is discussed: those who read the Tanakh (Hebrew Scriptures) without faith in Yeshua have a spiritual veil, unable to fully perceive its Messianic message.
- The veil is only removed through turning to Yeshua; failure to do so is attributed to misplaced faith (e.g., seeking the praise of men or being entangled in tradition).
- True faith in Yahweh leads to recognition of Yeshua as Messiah.
- The importance of humility, repentance, and reliance on the Spirit is stressed for spiritual transformation.

Application and Community

- The Law’s commandments are still relevant, guiding believers in loving God and neighbor, even in the absence of a Temple.
- Both Jews and Gentiles are invited to become “one in Messiah,” united by the Spirit and the commandments.

- Observance of the Law (e.g., Sabbath, dietary laws, appointed times) is described as a “light yoke” that brings believers closer to Yeshua.
- The speaker encourages community study, mutual support, and continued learning.

Upcoming Topics and Announcements

- Future sessions will cover Romans 2–3 and the Book of Hebrews (notably chapters 7–11), addressing further misconceptions about the Law’s relevance.
- Viewers are invited to subscribe, share, and help the channel reach 1,000 subscribers to enable live streaming and interactive discussions.
- A segment called “A Jew and Gentile Discuss” is promoted for additional learning.

Key Questions Addressed

- Does the New Covenant abolish previous covenants? (No; they coexist.)
- Can the Law bring eternal life? (No; only Yeshua’s work does.)
- What does “the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life” mean? (The Law reveals sin but cannot save; the Spirit grants life.)
- Do the commandments still apply? (Yes, as a guide for faith and obedience.)

Decisions and Action Plans

- Continue producing teaching videos as time allows.
- Study upcoming passages in Romans and Hebrews to address further questions on covenant theology.
- Encourage viewers to subscribe, share, and comment to support the channel and foster community interaction.