



Recognizing the Two Covenants: Why It's Important

- **Some covenants throughout the Bible**
- Genesis 6:18
- Genesis 12:1-3
 - Land – Genesis 15:18
 - Nation – Genesis 17:17
 - Seed promise – Galatians 3:16-17
- Numbers 25:13

- **But there are two main covenants**
- Galatians 4:24
 - Exodus 24:7-8
- Hebrews 8:7-13
- The “first” covenant (Hebrews 8:7)
 - “Book of the covenant” – Exodus 24:7
 - Law of Moses, Law of God, the law – Nehemiah 9:1, 8, 13
 - “old” – Hebrews 8:13
 - “the Old Testament” – 2 Corinthians 3:14

- **But there are two main covenants**
- Galatians 4:24
 - Exodus 24:7-8
- Hebrews 8:7-13
- The “second” covenant (Hebrews 8:7)
 - “new covenant” – Hebrews 8:8
 - The “everlasting covenant” – Hebrews 13:20
 - Matthew 26:28
 - It is the law of Christ
 - Isaiah 2:2-3
 - Isaiah 42:1, 4
 - Hebrews 1:1-3
 - Hebrews 7:11-12

- **When were these covenants, these laws, effective?**
- The first given at Mt Sinai
 - In effect until completely fulfilled
 - Matthew 5:17-18
 - Luke 24:44
 - First was taken away by the death of Christ
 - Hebrews 10:9-10
 - That the second could be established
 - Nailed to the cross
 - Colossians 2:14 & Ephesians 2:15
- The second required the death of the testator – Jesus Christ
 - Hebrews 9:16-18
 - Hebrews 10:12-18

- Does it matter?
- Remission of sins!
- Matthew 26:26-28
- Hebrews 9:11-15

Under the new covenant...

- **We are under a new law**
- Hebrews 7:11-12
- Romans 8:1-2
- If attempt to be under both laws, then:
 - Spiritual adultery – Romans 7:1-4
 - Fall from grace – Galatians 5:4
 - Disrespect the completeness of Christ's law
 - Hebrews 1:1-2
 - Matthew 17:5

Under the new covenant...

- **Its law is applicable to all men**
- Contrast: Law of Moses – Deuteronomy 5:2-5
- Matthew 28:18-20
- Romans 2:16
- 1 Corinthians 9:21
- Matthew 19:9 too?
 - Yes

Under the new covenant...

- **There are different conditions of entrance**
- John 3:3-5

Under the new covenant...

- **There is different worship**
- John 4:19-24
- Instrumental music?
 - 2 Chronicles 29:25
- Special priesthood?
 - 1 Peter 2:5, 9

Under the new covenant...

- **There is instruction about a different day**
- Sabbath part of the old covenant for Israel
 - Exodus 20:8-11
 - Exodus 31:12-17
 - Colossians 2:16-17
- First day of the week
 - Acts 20:7
 - 1 Corinthians 16:1-2