

Session 5: MOSES TO THE GOSPELS

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God's Covenants of Promise

These covenants were all given as part of God's plan of redemption for the earth and mankind.

An unconditional covenant that replaces the Old (Mosaic) Covenant of the Law which was conditional.

An unconditional covenant that David's seed would rule over Israel forever Jer. 23:5-8. This covenant is based on the Abrahamic Covenant and points forward to the New Covenant.

The Abrahamic Covenant provides the framework of support for the Old, Davidic, and New Covenants. Deut. 1:8; 9:1-5; 4:37; 7:7-8; 10:5; II Sam. 7:8-13; Ps. 105:6-11ff; Jer. 31:31-40

Proclaimed by Jesus Christ and His apostles. Heb. 1:1-2; 2:1-4

Jesus Christ will rule from David's throne in Jerusalem

Being ratified by the blood of Christ it will remain forever. Heb. 9:14-15, 24-28

Jer. 31:31-40
Jer. 30:4-9

It was foretold by the prophets. Heb. 1:1
Contains elements of the Old Covenant under a new administration of righteousness augmented by special empowerment by the Holy Spirit

Some passages related to the covenants of promise:

Jer. 23:1-8; 33:14-26; 46:27-28
Eze. 11:14-21; 16:60-63; 28:25-26;
37:15-28; Amos 9:11-13; Micah 4:1-5

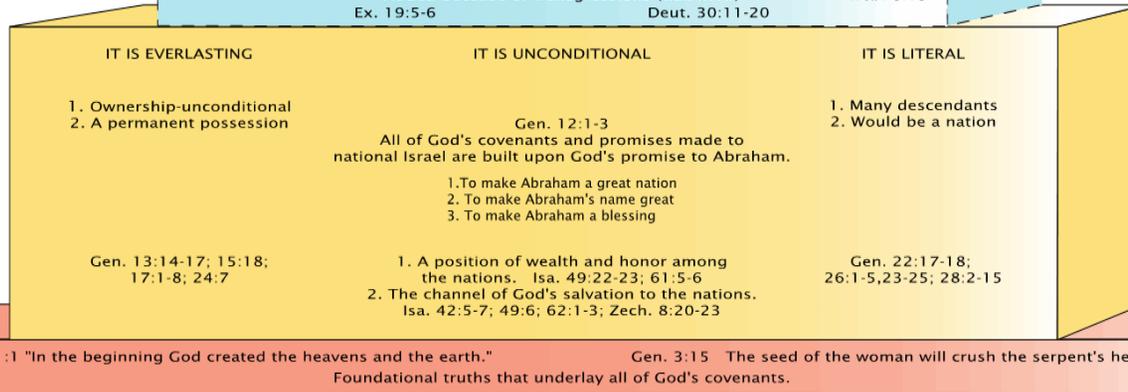
All the blessings of the Abrahamic Covenant will be fully realized when it comes into effect.

II Sam. 7:12-16 Lk. 1:32-33
Isa. 11:1-5 Dan. 2:44

Given through Moses Deut. 4:25-31
Deut. 5:22-28,31 Temporary Conditional
Added because of transgressions (Gal. 3:19)
Ex. 19:5-6 Deut. 30:11-20

Becoming obsolete it is to be replaced. Heb. 8:13

An expanded explanation of Judah's exaltation under the terms of the Abrahamic Covenant in the last days as prophesied by Jacob. Gen. 49:8-12



Although certain of its elements are contained in the New Covenant the Old Covenant itself was never meant to have a permanent place in the prophetic program. Jer. 23:7-8; 31:31-34

1. CONFIRMED TIME

- Mark 1:14-15 ¹⁴ Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,¹⁵ And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.
- Daniel 9:24-27 ²⁴ Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.²⁵ Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.²⁶ And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.²⁷ And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.
- Galatians 4:4-5 ⁴ But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,⁵ To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

2. CONFIRMED TASK

- John the Baptist—John the Baptist delivers the ‘at hand’ message of the kingdom and presents Jesus as the long awaited Messiah to the nation of Israel.
- Preparing a people ready for what had been spoke by the mouth of all the holy prophets since the world began.
 - Man
 - Malachi 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the LORD, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.
 - Luke 1:76-80 ⁷⁶ And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;⁷⁷ To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins,⁷⁸ Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us,⁷⁹ To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.⁸⁰ And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.
 - Message

- Mark 1:1-4 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God;² As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.³ The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.⁴ John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.
- Matthew 3:10-12 ¹⁰ And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.¹¹ I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance. but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:¹² Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.
- Method
 - Luke 7:27-30 ²⁷ This is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.²⁸ For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.²⁹ And all the people that heard him, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John.³⁰ But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him.

3. CONFIRMED TEACHING

- Earthly Ministry of Christ—Aim
 - John 8:28-29 ²⁸ Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.²⁹ And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.
- Earthly Ministry of Christ—Audience
 - Romans 15:8 Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers:
 - Matthew 15:24 But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
- Earthly Ministry of Christ—Actions
 - Matthew 5:17-19 ¹⁷ Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.¹⁸ For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.¹⁹ Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

- Matthew 19:16-17 ¹⁶ And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?¹⁷ And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.
- Matthew 23:1-3 Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,² Saying The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat:³ All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not.
- Luke 17:14 And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.
- Earthly Ministry of Christ—Apostles
 - Matthew 10
- Earthly Ministry of Christ—Access
 - John 4:22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.
 - Mark 7:25-29 ²⁵ For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:²⁶ The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.²⁷ But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs.²⁸ And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.²⁹ And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.
 - Luke 7:1-10
 - Luke 19:1-10

4. CONFIRMED TASTE

- Christ's miracles were a demonstration that he was God and the powers of the world to come (the kingdom of heaven) was at hand.
- Visible Signs
 - Mark 3:5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.
 - Mark 5
 - Devils—Mark 5:1-20
 - Disease—Mark 5:21-34
 - Death—Mark 5:35-43

- Validating Signs
 - Matthew 11:3-6 ³ And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?⁴ Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:⁵ The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.⁶ And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.
- Victorious Signs
 - Mark 3:22-27 ²² And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem said, He hath Beelzebub, and by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils.²³ And he called them unto him, and said unto them in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan?²⁴ And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.²⁵ And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.²⁶ And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end.²⁷ No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house.
 - Luke 10:17-19 ¹⁷ And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.¹⁸ And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.¹⁹ Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

5. CONFIRMED TESTIMONY

- Matthew 16:13-28
 - Which 'church'
 - Moses—Acts 7:38 This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him in the mount Sina, and with our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto us:
 - Messiah—Psalm 22:22-25 ²² I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.²³ Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.²⁴ For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.²⁵ My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.
 - Mystery—Ephesians 2:15-16 ¹⁵ Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;¹⁶ And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:
 - The 'middle wall of partition' is down today!

6. CONFIRMED THRONES

- Matthew 19:23-30

7. CONFIRMED TREASURES

- Matthew 6:19-21 ¹⁹ Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal.²⁰ But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.²¹ For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.
- Revelation 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

8. CONFIRMED TAKING

- Matthew 21:33-46
- Luke 12:31-32 ³¹ But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.³² Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
- I Peter 2:1-10

9. CONFIRMED TRAITOR

- Matthew 26:23-25 ²³ And he answered and said, He that dippeth his hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me.²⁴ The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born.²⁵ Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, Thou hast said.

10. CONFIRMED TESTAMENT

- New Testament/Covenant
 - Matthew 26:26-29 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.²⁷ And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;²⁸ For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.²⁹ But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.
 - Jeremiah 31:31-34 ³¹ 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.³² 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: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.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.

- Hebrews 8

11. CONFIRMED TRAINING

- “The Great Commission”
 - Matthew 28:18-20 ¹⁸ And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.
 - Mark 16:15-20
 - Luke 24:44-53
 - John 20:19-23
 - Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

12. CONFIRMED TESTING

- Matthew 24:13-14 ¹³ But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.



1. **The church in early Acts is not the same as what we refer to as *The Church* today.**
 - a. Acts 2.
 - i. *Ekklesia*.
2. **There was more than one gospel preached in the first century.**
 - a. Acts 15; Galatians 2
3. **Someone had to be the first saved by grace through faith.**
 - a. 1st Timothy 1: 12-16.
 - b. Philippians 3:5.
 - c. Acts 9:1-2.
 - d. Acts 13:38-39; 44-49.

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- e. Acts 13:50-52.
 - f. 2 Timothy 1:15.
4. **The sins of the entire world have been paid for and *are not imputed*.**
 - a. Romans 5:12-21.
 - b. 2 Corinthians 5:17-21.
5. **Jesus died and was raised to be Lord, both of the dead and the living.**
 - a. Romans 14:9.
6. **Pronouns matter.**

