

Genesis 15:10
Exodus 34:5-9

ENGAGE WITH GOD IN FAMILY



MARRIAGE - THE NATURE OF THE COVENANT

Covenant

A system – that God has put in place to provide a framework of how we operate.

Theme

**Don't let anything crowd out
the Covenant.**

Biblical Covenants

“Through covenant God has conveyed to humanity the meaning of human life and salvation.”

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Covenants

- 1. Old Covenant**
- 2. New Covenant**
- 3. Marriage Covenant**

Biblical Covenant

- 1. Based upon God's character**
- 2. Acknowledges human sinfulness, frailty, inability**
- 3. Unconditionally commits**

Exodus 34:1-9 (ESV)

¹ The LORD said to Moses, “.... ² Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me on the top of the mountain. ³ No one shall come up with you, and let no one be seen throughout all the mountain...”

Exodus 34:1-9 (ESV)

⁴ So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone.

Exodus 34:1-9 (ESV)

⁵ The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. ⁶ The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, *“The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in*

Exodus 34:1-9 (ESV)

***steadfast love and faithfulness,
7 keeping steadfast love for thousands,
forgiving iniquity and transgression and
sin, but who will by no means clear the
guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers
on the children and the children's***

Exodus 34:1-9 (ESV)

*children, to the third and the fourth generation.”*⁸ And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped.⁹ And he said, *“If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us,*

Exodus 34:1-9 (ESV)

*for it is a stiff-necked people, and
pardon our iniquity and our sin, and
take us for your inheritance.”*

Jeremiah 31:31, 34 (ESV)

The New Covenant

**31 “Behold, the days are coming,
declares the Lord, when I will make a
new covenant ... 34 For I will forgive
their iniquity, and I will remember their
sin no more.”**

Old Covenant (*Law*)

- 1. Instituted by God** Gen 15; Ex. 19:5
- 2. Ratified by sacrifice** Ex. 24:6–8; Heb. 9:16
- 3. Sealed by circumcision** Gen. 17:9–14
- 4. Remembered in the Annual Feasts**
- 5. Designed to lead to Christ** Gal. 3:17–25

Hebrews 9:11-15 (ESV)

¹¹ But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, ...¹² he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³ For if the blood of

Hebrews 9:11-15 (ESV)

goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh,¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works

Hebrews 9:11-15 (ESV)

purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. ¹⁵ Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

New Covenant

1. Instituted by Jesus

2. Ratified by sacrifice

Heb. 9:11-23

3. Sealed by His Spirit

**4. Remembered in
His Feast/Supper**

1 Cor. 11:25

5. Fulfilled in Him

Luke 1:68-79

Marriage Covenant

1. Instituted by God

2. Ratified by sacrifice

Eph 5

3. Sealed by Union

Gen. 2:24

**4. Remembered in
the Annual celebrations**

5. Designed to lead to Christ

Eph 5

Ephesians 5:26-27 (ESV)

²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present [her] to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (ESV)

⁴ is patient and kind; does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

How do I get there with God?

1.Slow down

2.Spend time

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Spend time

- **Confess**

- **Pray**

How do I get there with my spouse?

1. Slow down

2. Spend time

a. Confess

b. Pray

Theme (October 8)

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to mirror the Gospel.**

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