

## Jeremiah – Part 11

### The Covenant

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. Today we are beginning a new series of studies on the book of the prophet Jeremiah. Our topic today: The Covenant

Scripture Theme Song: “For I know the thoughts”  
(Jeremiah 29:11-13)

- 1) What is a covenant?
  - a) An agreement between two or more consenting parties.
  - b) What is a common form of covenant today?
  - c) The Bible speaks of various covenants, but there is only one basic covenant, restated at different times: the covenant of grace where God bestows salvation on human beings who accept His gift by faith.
- 2) God’s covenant with Noah and all humanity
  - a) Genesis 9:1-17
  - b) Share a time when you saw a beautiful rainbow.
  - c) More beautiful than the colors is the promise.
- 3) God’s covenant with Abraham
  - a) Genesis 12:1-3
  - b) Genesis 15:1-5
  - c) Genesis 17:1-14
  - d) What did God intend to accomplish through His covenant with Abraham?
  - e) Gal. 3:6-9, 15-18 – bless the world through his Seed.
- 4) The covenant at Sinai
  - a) Exodus 24:1-8
  - b) Why is it vitally important to remember that faithfulness to the covenant is also a gift of God received by faith? Hebrews 4:2
  - c) When did you finally realize that you were unable to live in harmony with God’s plan for your life without the enabling presence of His Spirit?
- 5) The new covenant
  - a) Jeremiah 31:31-34
  - b) Does the new covenant involve a different Law or a different relationship to the Lawgiver?
  - c) Matthew 22:37-39
  - d) Matthew 5:21-26
  - e) Matthew 5:27-28
  - f) Matthew 5:43-48
  - g) The communion service is a time to reaffirm the new covenant relationship with God.
    - i) Luke 22:20
    - ii) 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
    - iii) Share a time when celebrating the communion service was particularly meaningful to you.
- 6) Discussion questions
  - a) How can we enjoy that new covenant relationship with God?
  - b) What does it mean to have God’s law written on our hearts?
  - c) We live in a culture where many covenants are broken. What does it mean to you to know that God will be faithful to His covenant to us?