

Outline #2 Covenant Primer: a preview of various covenants

O Give Thanks to the LORD Psalm 105-1-5

1. God's response to our damaged condition

- a) What is a covenant? (promises and conditions)
- b) The Hebrew word berith is found 287 times in the Old Testament, referring both to covenants between people and more significantly covenants between the LORD and His people.
- c) What are some examples of covenants made between people?
- d) What are some examples of covenants the LORD made with human beings? How do these covenants differ from covenants between people?

2. The LORD's covenant with Noah and his descendants

- a) Genesis 6:18 -the first use of berith in OT
- b) Genesis 6:22, 7:7 – Noah's response
- c) Genesis 7:19-23, 8:1,18-19 – the LORD's deliverance
- d) Genesis 9:1, 8-17 – the LORD's blessing and promise
- e) What important lessons can we learn from the LORD's covenant with Noah and his descendants? 2 Peter 3:5-9

3. The LORD's covenant with Abram/Abraham

- a) Genesis 12:1-3 What promises and conditions do we find in this covenant?
- b) How does Abram respond to the LORD's invitation to enter into a covenant relationship? Genesis 12:4, 15:6
- c) How were all of the families of the earth blessed through Abram? Galatians 3:6-9, 13-14

- d) Genesis 17:1-7 – the covenant restated
- e) How is the LORD's covenant with Abram also relevant for our lives today, even if we are not his biological descendants? Galatians 3:29
- f) What important lessons can we learn from the LORD's covenant with Abram and his descendants?

4. The LORD's covenant with Moses

- a) Exodus 6:7, 19:4-6 – the LORD's promise
- b) Exodus 20:1-3, 4-17 – the expected response
- c) Is obedience to the LORD's commandments the way to be saved or a response to the salvation that has already been provided? (v.2)
- d) What action was necessary for the children of Israel to experience the deliverance of the LORD? Exodus 12:3-7,13
- e) When did you come to understand that obedience to God is a loving response to His salvation?

5. The New Covenant

- a) Jeremiah 31:31-34
- b) How does our response to God's salvation change in the new covenant?
- c) How do you respond to the LORD's promise in v.34?

