

Isaiah Bible Study

Isaiah 21-23

Covenant

- I. Mediators of the six covenants of the Bible
 - a. Adam
 - b. Noah
 - c. Abraham
 - d. Moses
 - e. David
 - f. Jesus Christ (Fulfills all that came before)
- II. **Covenant - Catholic Bible Dictionary, Hahn** A covenant was a *familial bond* established by a *legally binding* oath sworn during a *liturgical* ritual.
- III. Examples of covenants between men in the Bible
 - a. Abraham and Abimelech in Genesis 21
 - b. Jacob and Laban in Genesis 31
 - c. David and Jonathan in 1 Samuel 18

Adam

- I. **Genesis 2:1-3** Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all his work which he had done in creation.
- II. **Exodus 31:13-17** “Say to the sons of Israel, ‘You shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you. You shall keep the Sabbath, because it is holy for you...Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the Lord...Therefore the sons of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, observing the Sabbath throughout their generations, as a perpetual covenant. It is a sign for ever between me and the sons of Israel that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.’”
- III. **Ezekiel 20:12** I gave them my Sabbaths, as a sign between me and them, that they might know that I the Lord sanctify them.
- IV. **Genesis 21:27-32** So Abraham took sheep and oxen and gave them to Abimelech, and the two men made a covenant. Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock apart. And Abimelech said to Abraham, “What is the meaning of these seven ewe lambs which you have set apart?” He said, “These seven ewe lambs you will take from my hand, that you may be a witness for me that I dug this well.” Therefore

that place was called Be'er-she'ba; because there both of them swore an oath. So they made a covenant at Be'er-she'ba.

a. Be'er: well

b. She'ba: oath or seven

- V. **Mark 2:27-28** The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath; so the Son of man is lord even of the Sabbath.
- VI. **Exodus 31:13-14** "You shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you. You shall keep the Sabbath, because it is holy for you."
- VII. **Deuteronomy 5:15** You shall remember that you were a servant in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.
- VIII. **Hebrews 3:18 - 4:11** And to whom did he swear that they should never enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest remains, let us fear lest any of you be judged to have failed to reach it. For good news came to us just as to them; but the message which they heard did not benefit them, because it did not meet with faith in the hearers. For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, "As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall never enter my rest,'" although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way, "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." And again in this place he said, "They shall never enter my rest." Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again he sets a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "Today, when you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts." For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not speak later of another day. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God; for whoever enters God's rest also ceases from his labors as God did from his. Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, that no one fall by the same sort of disobedience.

- IX. **CCC 1069** The word "liturgy"... means the participation of the People of God in "the work of God." Through the liturgy Christ, our redeemer and high priest, continues the work of our redemption in, with, and through his Church.

David

- I. **2 Samuel 7:12-13** When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your

body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be his father, and he shall be my son.

Prime Minister

- I. **Genesis 41:39-41** So Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Since God has shown you all this, there is none so discreet and wise as you are; you shall be over my house, and all my people shall order themselves as you command; only as regards the throne will I be greater than you.” And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Behold, I have set you over all the land of Egypt.”
- II. **Isaiah 22:19-22** I will thrust you from your office, and you will be cast down from your station. In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your belt on him, and will commit your authority to his hand; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David; he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.
- III. **Matthew 16:18-20** “And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”
- IV. **Isaiah 22:23-25** And I will fasten him like a peg in a sure place, and he will become a throne of honor to his father’s house. And they will hang on him the whole weight of his father’s house, the offspring and issue, every small vessel, from the cups to all the flagons. In that day, says the Lord of hosts, the peg that was fastened in a sure place will give way; and it will be cut down and fall, and the burden that was upon it will be cut off, for the Lord has spoken.
- V. **Matthew 23:2-4** “The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses’ seat, so practice and observe whatever they tell you, but not what they do; for they preach, but do not practice. They bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on men’s shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with their finger.”
- VI. Connection between the New Covenant King and the New Covenant Prime Minister
 - a. **Isaiah 9:6** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; **and the government will be upon his shoulder**, and his name will be called “Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, **Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace.”
 - b. **Revelation 3:7** ‘The words of the holy one, the true one, who has **the key of David, who opens and no one shall shut, who shuts and no one opens**.
 - c. **Isaiah 22:20-22** In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your belt on him, and will commit your **government** to his hand; and he shall be a **father**

to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. And I will place **on his shoulder the key of the house of David; he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.**

Infallibility

- I. Infallibility is not the same as impeccability
- II. **Acts 5:7-12** And after there had been much debate, Peter rose and said to them, “Brethren, you know that in the early days God made choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. And God who knows the heart bore witness to them, giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us; and he made no distinction between us and them, but cleansed their hearts by faith. Now therefore why do you make trial of God by putting a yoke upon the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? But we believe that we shall be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.” And all the assembly kept silence.
- III. **Galatians 2:11-14** But when Cephas [Peter] came to Antioch I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. For before certain men came from James, he ate with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. And with him the rest of the Jews acted insincerely, so that even Barnabas was carried away by their insincerity. But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, “If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews?”
- IV. **1 Corinthians 9:19-22** For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all, that I might win the more. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews; to those under the law I became as one under the law – thought not being myself under the law – that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law – not being without law toward God but under the law of Christ – that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.