



The Benefit of Covenant

Ephesians 2:12 - *In those days you were living apart from Christ.*

*You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you did not know the covenant promises God had made to them. **You lived in this world without God and without hope.***

Outside God's covenant, there is no life, hope and future; and that was the reason of the coming of Jesus Christ to establish what was lost in the garden of Eden, the constant agape covenant.

Ephesians 3:14-21 - Paul's Prayer for Spiritual Growth

*When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. **Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong.** And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.*

God's love cannot be understood with our canal mind set up as it's enmity against God. Our security is lodged into God's love, and we stay in His covenant because living without it is living without hope. - **All gravitates around "Agape."**

A. Agape passes knowledge

1. Agape is far to be revealed to man.

Ephesians 3:19 *May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.*

- It doesn't matter who you are and how you love God, still He loves you

2. Agape is too rich for man's mind

Ephesians 3:16 *I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit.*

3. For Jesus to abide in us in fullness, we must be rooted and grounded in agape

Ephesians 3:17 Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong.

John 14:23 - Jesus replied, "All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them."

B. We are the seed of Abraham and heirs according to promise

Genesis 7:1-7 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, "I am El-Shaddai - 'God Almighty.' Serve me faithfully and live a blameless life. I will make a covenant with you, by which I will guarantee to give you countless descendants."

At this, Abram fell face down on the ground. Then God said to him, "This is my covenant with you: I will make you the father of a multitude of nations! What's more, I am changing your name. It will no longer be Abram. Instead, you will be called Abraham, for you will be the father of many nations. I will make you extremely fruitful. Your descendants will become many nations, and kings will be among them!"

"I will confirm my covenant with you and your descendants after you, from generation to generation. This is the everlasting covenant: I will always be your God and the God of your descendants after you."

Question: Why The Covenant?

1. Covenant convinces us about God's promises

1 Samuel 18:1-3 - After David had finished talking with Saul, he met Jonathan, the king's son. There was an immediate bond between them, for Jonathan loved David. From that day on Saul kept David with him and wouldn't let him return home. And Jonathan made a solemn pact with David, because he loved him as he loved himself.

- **God, He is who He says He is - Hebrews 10:23** - Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise.



• **God can do what He has promised - *Joshua 21:45* - Not a single one of all the good promises the Lord had given to the family of Israel was left unfulfilled; everything he had spoken came true.**

• **God will punish sinners - *Revelation 21: 8* - But cowards, unbelievers, the corrupt, murderers, the immoral, those who practice witchcraft, idol worshipers, and all liars—their fate is in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.**” - Anyone who practice these is a true covenant with the second death

2. Covenant keeps what belong to us without losing its value

2 Samuel 9: 1 - One day David asked, “Is anyone in Saul’s family still alive—anyone to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan’s sake?”

- **David is driven to give to Jonathan’s seed for Jonathan’s sake.**
Mephiboshet had nothing to do with it expect to receive.
- All that David gave Mephiboshet **belonged to him ALL time** he lived in Lodebar if only he had known it.
- **Mephiboshet didn’t had to have a copy and description of the covenant** between David and his father; and seen David’s scar, probably he couldn’t have had any trouble believing it.
- **Mephiboshet** had ben lied to. The devil has lied us.

3. The seed should be free “NOW”

Luke 13:16 - This dear woman, a daughter of Abraham, has been held in bondage by Satan for eighteen years. Isn’t it right that she be released, even on the Sabbath?”

Romans 4:16 - So the promise is received by faith. It is given as a free gift. And we are all certain to receive it, whether or not we live according to the law of Moses, if we have faith like Abraham’s. For Abraham is the father of all who believe.

What does 18 years of lost represent in your life today?

1. **Are you in bondage of Spirit of Haughtiness?** Arrogant-Smug, Pride, Idleness, Scornful, Strife, Obstinate, Self-Deception, Contentious, Self-



Righteous, Rebellion, Rejection of God) - **Scriptures:** (1 Samuel 15:23; 2 Samuel 22:8; Jeremiah 43:2; Isaiah 2:11,17; Ezekiel 16:49-50; Daniel 5:20; Obadiah 1:3; Luke 18:11,12)

2. **Are you in bondage of lying spirit?** (Strong Deceptions, Flattery, Superstitions, Religious Bondages, False Prophecy, Accusations, Slander, Gossip, Lies, False Teachers) - **Scriptures:** (2 Chronicles 18:22; Psalms 31:18; Proverbs 6:16- 19; Jeremiah 23:16-17; Matthew 7:15; 1 Timothy 4:7; 6:20; 2 Timothy 2:16; 2 Peter; 1 John 3-5; Revelation 12:10)
3. **Are you in bondage of perverse Spirit?** (Broken Spirit, Evil Actions, Atheist, Abortion, Child Abuse, Filthy Mind, Doctrinal Error, Sex Perversions, Twisting The Word, Foolish, Chronic Worrier, Contentions, Incest, Pornography) - **Scriptures:** (Exodus 21:22-25; Proverbs 1:22; 2:12; Isaiah 19:14; Acts 13:10; Romans 1:17-32; Philippians 2:14-16; Timothy 3:2,7-8;).
4. **Are you in bondage of Spirit of Heaviness** (Excessive Mourning, Sorrow-Grief, Insomnia, Self- Pity, Rejection, Broken-Heart, Despair-Dejection-Hopelessness, Depression, Suicidal Thoughts, Inner Hurts-Torn Spirit, Heaviness) - **Scriptures:** (Isaiah 61:3; Luke 4:18; Nehemiah 2:2; Proverbs 15:13; Psalms 69:20; Proverbs 15:3,13; Luke 4:18; 2 Corinthians 1:8-9; Isaiah 61:3; Mark 9; Luke 4:18; Proverbs 18:14; 26:22)
5. **Are you in bondage of Spirit of Whoredoms** (Unfaithfulness/Adultery, Spirit-Soul-or-Body Prostitution, Chronic Dissatisfaction, Love of Money, Fornication, Idolatry, Excessive Appetite, Worldliness) - **Scriptures:** (Ezekiel 16:15,28; Galatians 5:19; Deuteronomy 23:17-18; Ezekiel 16:28; 1 Timothy 6:7- 14; Hosea 4:13-19; Judges 2:17; Ezekiel 16; Leviticus 17:7)



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6. Are you in bondage of Spirit of Infirmary? (Bent Body-Spine, Impotent-Frail-Lame, Asthma-Hay Fever-Allergies, Arthritis, Weakness, Lingering Disorders, Oppression, Cancer) -

Scriptures: (Luke 13:11; John 5:5; Acts 3:2; 4:9; Acts 10:38)

7. **Are you living with Spirit of Bondage** (Fears, Addictions (Drugs, Alcohol, Cigarettes, Food, Etcetera...), Fear of Death, Captivity to Satan, Servant of Corruption, Compulsive Sin, Bondage to Sin) - Scriptures: (Romans 6:16; 7:23; 8:15; 2 Peter 2:19; Hebrews 2:14-15; Luke 8:23; John 8:34; Acts 8:23; Proverbs 5:2; 2 Timothy 2:26).

8. **Are you in fear?** (Fears-Phobias, Heart Attacks, Torment-Horror, Fear of Man, Nightmares-Terrors, Anxiety-Stress, Fear of Death, Untrusting- Doubt) - Scriptures: (Isaiah 13:7-8; 2 Timothy 1:7; Luke 21:26; John 14:1,27; Proverbs 29:25; Jeremiah 1:8; 17-19; Ezekiel 2:6-7; 3:9; Psalms 91:5-6; Isaiah 54:14; Hebrews 2:14-15; 1 Peter 5:7; Matthew 8:26; Revelation 21:8)