

NOTE: The second covenant existed in every essential feature, except its ratification, long before the first, even from the days of Adam. It is called second because its ratification occurred after the covenant made and ratified at Sinai.

22. What is necessary where there is a covenant?

"For where a covenant is, there must also of necessity be *the _____ of that which _____ it*. For a covenant is made firm over the dead victims; whereas it is of no force while that which establisheth it liveth." **Hebrews 9:16-17, Boothroyd's translation.**

23. With whose blood was the new covenant dedicated?

"And [He took] the cup in like manner after supper, saying, This cup is the new covenant in *My _____*, even that which is poured out for you." **Luke 22:20, R. V.**

24. What power is there in the blood of this covenant

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, *make you _____ in every good _____* to do His will." **Hebrews 13:20-21.**

25. Through which covenant only is there remission of sins?

"How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish unto God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause He is the mediator of a *new _____*, that a death having taken place for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first covenant, they that have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance." **Hebrews 9:14-15, R. V.**

NOTE: The fact that Christ, as mediator of the second covenant, died for the remission of the transgressions that were under the first covenant, shows that there was no forgiveness *by virtue* of the first covenant.

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Note: Galatians 3:23-24. And the lesson which Israel as a nation had to learn in this, each individual now must learn before he can be saved. **There is no salvation for anyone while trusting in self.** Unaided, no one can keep the law. **Only in Christ is there either remission of sins or power to keep from sinning.** The breaking of the tables of the law signified that the terms of the covenant had been broken; the renewing of the tables (**Exodus 34:1,28**), God's patience and long-suffering with His people.

16. Wherein does the new covenant differ from and excel the old?

"But now hath He obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also He is the mediator of a _____, which was established upon _____." **Hebrews 8:6**

17. What are the "better promises" upon which the new covenant was established?

"This shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, _____ will _____ My _____ if their _____ parts, and _____ it in their _____; . . . I will _____ their _____, and I will _____ their _____ no more." **Jeremiah 31:33-34. See Hebrews 8:8-12**

NOTE: These are simply the blessings of the gospel through Christ. They are promised upon **condition of repentance, confession, faith, and acceptance of Christ**, the Mediator of the new covenant, which means salvation and obedience. In the old covenant there was no provision for pardon and power to obey. It is true there was pardon *during the time of the old covenant*, but not by *virtue* of it. Pardon then, as now, was through the provisions of the new covenant, the terms of which are older than the old covenant.

18. In what statement was Christ promised as a Saviour and Deliverer of the race as soon as sin entered?

And the Lord God said unto the serpent, . . . I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and *her* _____; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise His heel." **Genesis 3:14-15**

NOTE: The covenant of grace, with its provisions of pardon and peace, dates from the foundation of the world.

19. To whom was this covenant-promise later renewed?

"And God said unto _____, . . . Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac and I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with *his* _____ after him." "I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, . . . and in *thy* _____ shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." **Genesis 17:15-19; Genesis 26:4**

20. Who was the seed here referred to?

"Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy _____ *which is* _____." **Galatians 3:16**

21. What shows that the new or second covenant and the Abrahamic covenant are virtually the same?

"And if ye be _____, then are ye _____ seed, and heirs according to the promise." **Galatians 3:29**

NOTE: No one should allow himself to be confused by the terms *first covenant* and *second covenant*. While the covenant made at Sinai is called the first covenant, it is by no means the first covenant that God ever made with man. Long before this He made a covenant with Abraham; He also made a covenant with Noah, and with Adam. Neither must it be supposed that the first or old covenant existed for a time as the only covenant with mankind, and that this must serve its purpose and pass away before anyone could share in the promised blessings of the second or new covenant. Had this been the case, then during that time there would have been no pardon for anyone. What is called the new or second covenant virtually existed before the covenant made at Sinai; for the covenant with Abraham was confirmed in Christ (**Galatians 3:17**), and it is only through Christ that there is any value to the new or second covenant. There is no blessing that can be gained by virtue of the new covenant that was not promised to Abraham. And we, with whom the new covenant is made, can share the inheritance which it promises only by being children of Abraham, and sharing in his blessing. **Galatians 3:7,9.** And since no one can have anything except as a child of Abraham, it follows that there is nothing in what is called the new or second covenant that was not in the covenant made with Abraham.