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Announcements

- Sunday school has resumed Sundays at 10:00 AM! We wear masks until seated.
- Sunday evening classes are temporarily canceled.
- Coming Soon: Reading through the Bible in a year together!

The Covenant with Israel (Beginnings #18)

Structure of the of the covenant introduction, Exodus 19:3-8:²

- Verse 4: The history of the relationship.
- Verses 5-6: The proposed terms of the relationship.
- Verses 7-8: The agreement of the people to the terms.

Purposes of the Israelite covenant³

To make Israel a

- Treasured possession, 1 Chr. 29:3; Eccl. 2:8; Deut. 7:6; Ps. 135:4; Mal. 3:17; Titus 2:14; Ex. 4:22; Hos. 11:1.
- Kingdom of priests, 1 Peter 2:5, 9; Rev. 1:6; Isaiah 61:6; Rom. 12:1.
- Holy nation, Lev. 11:44-45; 1 Peter 1:15-16, 2:5, 9; Isa. 62:12; 1 Cor. 3:17.

² From Gentry, Peter J. and Stephen J. Wellum. 2015. God's Kingdom through God's Covenants. Crossway: Wheaton, Illinois.

³ This covenant is also referred to as the Mosaic, Sinaitic, Old, or Land covenant. Generally, when the New Testament refers to the Old Covenant, it is referring to

In the New Covenant

- As the great and final high priest, Jesus Christ has presented himself as the final sacrifice. (Hebrews 8:1-18)
- Jesus Christ has fulfilled the law in perfect righteousness that he now makes available to us. (Romans 3:21-26)
- We are each indwelt with the Spirit of God, and when gathered, we are his temple. (Ephesians 2:19-22; 2 Cor. 6:16)
- We are still called to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation, making disciples of all nations. 1 Peter 2:5, 9; Matt. 28:18-20.

Invitation

- Consider the privilege and responsibilities of being a treasure possession of God - a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. How might that affect how you live your Christian life?
- Have you entered into this holy nation by faith yet? By baptism? By church membership? Is it time to take the next step to becoming a child of God?
- Do you need to repent and trust Jesus Christ for salvation?
- Contact us at whitesrunbaptist@gmail.com if you need assistance in any of these things.

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this covenant that God made with the nation of Israel concerning their life in the Land of the same name.