

# Review of Covenant Relationships

## Part 1

Our vision is only as effective as the health of the relationships that we engage in, whether with man or God.

- Stripped of Covenantal Understanding
- Temptation of Separation
- The First Relationship
- Covenant as the basis for God's eternal plan and the redemption of mankind

## Review – cont.

- **A Covenant Relationship is an agreement between two parties to be committed to each other in relationship to the level of life and death loyalties.**
- **Covenant Relationships vs. Relating Covenantally**

# Review – cont.

## Part 2

- **Covenant Expressed in Scripture**

  - Noahic

  - Abrahamic

  - Sinaitic

  - Covenant with Phinehas

  - Davidic

  - New Covenant

- **Types of Covenants**

  - Royal Grant

  - Parity

  - Suzarian Vassal

  - Interpersonal

  - God to Man

  - Man to Man

# Review – cont.

- **Self-Maledictory Oaths**
- **God's Covenant with Abram, Gen. 12, 15, 17**
- **Visible Signs of Covenant Entrance**
  - Self-Maledictory Oaths
  - Walking through the pieces
  - Witnesses to the Oath
  - Naming the location after the oath taken
- **Consequences of Breaking Covenant**
- **Signs of a Broken Covenant**

# Covenant Relationships – Part 3

## Elements and the Process of making a Covenant

1. Relationship Confirmation, existing relationship
2. Words of the Covenant are spoken
3. Words of the Covenant are agreed to
4. Signs of the Covenant, visible entrance points
5. Blessing for Keeping Covenant
6. Curses for Breaking Covenant
7. Giving of Gifts
8. Future Reminders, Memory Devices
9. Covenant Renewals

# Covenant Relationships – Part 3 cont.

## Things Included in a Covenant Relationship

1. Truth Telling
2. Dealing Honestly with each other
3. Covenant Extension to the next generation
4. Intertwining of life together
5. Sharing in Triumph and Failure
6. Being vulnerable without fear of rejection
7. God-centered living for common standards and goals
8. Preferring one another above yourself
9. Looking out for each other safety, best interest
10. Long-Term commitment to each other
11. Accountability
12. Speaking well of each other

# Covenant Relationships – Part 4

Main Text – I Samuel 18+20

- I. Covenant Partners influence each other
- II. Jonathan and David's relationship
- III. Do not forfeit or confuse Covenant Relationship for Casual Fellowship

# Covenant Relationships – Part 5

## I. The New Covenant Age

a. **Jeremiah 31:27-24**

b. **Hebrews 8:8**

c. **Hebrews 9:9**

d. Summary Definition – God's promise to bring salvation to Israel and the nations, forgiveness of sin, eternal life and the restoration of His people to the land of Israel through a sinless Messianic King and High Priest, born from the line of Abraham and David.

# New Covenant Availability

1. Forgiveness of Sin through repentance and profession of faith in Messiah Yeshua
2. Cleaning the conscience of the worshipper
3. Indwelling of the Holy Spirit
4. Law written on our hearts and minds
5. Access to the Father based on the blood of Yeshua
6. Eternal Life and entrance to the Kingdom of God not based on merit
7. Unified relationships of believers from different walks of life

## II. New Covenant Guidelines & Activities - **Acts 2:42-47**

- a. Walking out of Covenantal Principles
- b. Preach the Gospel of sin, repentance and atonement **Matt. 28:16-20**
- c. Make Disciples – **Mark 16:14-20, Acts 5:41**
- e. The Apostles Teach – **Acts 2:42**
- f. The believers devote themselves to the Apostles teaching – **Acts 2:42**
- g. Devoted to Fellowship and the building of relationship  
**Acts 2:42**

# New Covenant Guidelines & Activities cont.

h. Breaking of Bread, eating and hospitality

**Acts 2:42**

i. Prayer or “the prayers”– **Acts 2:42**

j. Signs and wonders, miracles and healings

**Acts 2:43**

k. Give to those in need – **Acts 2:43-44**

l. Met in Temple Courts, Public worship, scriptural discussion - **Acts 2:46**

m. Engaged in Water Baptism

**Acts 8:38, I Peter 3:21**

# New Covenant Guidelines & Activities cont.

- n. Study of Scripture – **Acts 17:10-12**
- o. Raising up leaders – **Acts 6:1-4**
- p. Sending out emissaries to missions  
**Acts 13:1-4**
- q. Fasting – **Acts 13:1-4**
- r. Prophesying – **Acts 19:6-7**
- s. Casting out evil spirits – **Matt. 10:8**

# New Covenant Guidelines & Activities cont.

t. Practicing God given gifts

**Romans 12, I Corinthians 12**

u. Submission to authorities – **Romans 13:1-7**

v. Uphold Godly, Biblical Standards of  
righteousness

**I Cor. 5:1-12, Gal. 6:1-2**

# III. New Covenant Community Leadership Structure

- a. Apostles – I Cor. 12:27-31, Ephesians 4:11-12, Ephesians. 2:19-20
- b. Prophets
- c. Teachers
- d. Pastors
- e. Evangelists
- f. Elders – Acts 11:29-30, I Tim. 3, I Tim. 5:17, Titus 1
- g. Deacons – same
- h. We do not see a Biblical pattern for self appointed leadership

# New Covenant Community Leadership Structure - cont.

i. Delegated Authority with the laying on of hands

**Acts 6:5-6**

j. We believe that this line of successive elders and deacons is what God honors

k. Community Confirms your giftings and affirms your role – **Gal. 2:8-10**

l. Connected network of Authority

m. Accountability to each other – **Acts 21:17-19**

# Covenant Relationships – Part 6

## The Marriage Covenant

### I. God's Thoughts and Perspective on Marriage

- Malachi 2:10-16
- Matthew 5:31-33
- Duet. 24:1-4
- Matthew 19:8

## II. Why did God create the institute of Marriage?

- a. Genesis 2:18-25
- b. Not good to be alone
- c. Needs a suitable helper
- d. Made of same flesh and bone
- e. Remember that Cain did not accept his responsibility for Abel
- f. God exhibits an attribute of relationship, not of independence
- g. Commitments are so important, we were never meant to walk alone, we function best when we make a commitment to one another.

### **III. What does the Marriage Example Show Us?**

- a. Covenantal Relationship Aspects that we can see**
- b. Example of how we should relate with God**
- c. God uses the marriage relationship to help us better understand how we should relate and align ourselves with Him**
- d. Example of authority, order, submission and mutual blessing**
- e. Why does Satan want so badly to destroy marriages?**

## IV. Marriage Order

- Ephesians 5:22-33
- I Peter 3:1-7

## Conclusion:

1. God considers marriage a covenant relationship that is elevated above others.
2. God hates divorce, breaking of covenants, breaking of relationship and oaths
3. God institutes marriage because we were design to walk together in committed relationships, whether marriage, friendships or in communities
4. God uses the marriage example so that we can see right order and learn to walk intimately with someone
5. The ultimate goal is to get us to understand how to walk intimately with Him