

Let Us Examine God's Promise of a New Covenant  
(Jeremiah 31:31-34)

Introduction:

1. According to 2 Peter 1:4, God has blessed His people with "exceeding great and precious" promises.
2. One of God's promises is found in Jeremiah 31:31-34.
3. In our lesson we are examining "God's promise of a new covenant."

Discussion:

- I. IMPORTANT DETAILS CONCERNING GOD'S PROMISE ARE REVEALED IN JEREMIAH'S PROPHECY
  - A. God would make His new covenant at a later time (vs.31, 33).
  - B. God's new covenant would not be like the one He had made through Moses (vs.32).
  - C. Under His new covenant, God "will remember their sin no more" (vs.34).
  - D. With these details in mind, let us turn our attention to some important . . .
- II. INFORMATION CONCERNING GOD'S PROMISE REVEALED IN HEBREWS
  - A. Hebrews 8
    1. Vs.6
      - a. Jesus is "the mediator" of God's new covenant (also 12:24).
      - b. God's new covenant is "a better covenant," and it is "everlasting" (13:20).
      - c. God's new covenant "was established upon better promises."
    2. Vs.7 -- God replaced the first covenant because it was not "faultless."
    3. Vs.8-12 -- Because the old covenant was faulty, God had promised to replace it with a better covenant.
    4. Vs.13 -- After God established His new covenant, the first covenant became "old."
  - B. Hebrews 9
    1. Vs.1-10 -- The service performed under the first covenant "could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience."
    2. Vs.15-17 -- Jesus died so the new covenant would become effective.
    3. Vs.24-26 -- Jesus offered Himself once as a perfect sacrifice "to put away sin."
  - C. Hebrews 10
    1. Vs.1-4 -- The animal blood offered under the old covenant could not take away sins.
    2. Vs.9 -- Jesus took away the first covenant to establish the second (see Galatians 3:24-28; 5:4; Ephesians 2:14-16; Colossians 2:14).
    3. Vs.15-17 -- The Lord's new covenant is the fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy.

Conclusion:

1. God promised to bless His people with a new covenant, and He kept His promise.
2. Let us conclude our study by reading:
  - a. Colossians 3:16-17
  - b. James 1:25.