

COVENANT OF GOD

Hebrews 13:20

“Eternal Covenant”

ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

1. Material Blessing (land, great nation, personal blessings)
2. Spiritual Blessings (Jewish race, Messiah)
3. Salvation Blessings (by grace through faith) Gen. 15:6
4. Children Blessings (Abrahamic descendants)

GOD DEALS WITH:

1. Individuals
2. Families
3. Nations

COVENANT FAMILIES

Belief in the Messiah to come

Belief in the Messiah who has come

SIGN: Circumcision
(Gen. 17:14 cf. Ex. 4:19-28)

SIGN: Water Baptism
(Col. 2:11-12)

Abrahamic Covenant
Gen. 17:7, 9-10

Law—Old Covenant
Physical Israel



PENTECOST

Abrahamic Covenant
Spiritually Fulfilled
Gal. 3:7, 9, 14, 29

New Covenant
1 Cor. 7:14
Spiritual Israel – The Church
Jew and Gentile in Christ

Second
Coming

Creation

Job Noah

Gal. 3:16

Acts 2:38-39

In the Old Covenant, a male child was circumcised as a sign of the covenant. Every child was born **under** the covenant, and was placed **in** the covenant spiritually when he or she was circumcised **in heart** by believing in Jehovah God and the promise of the coming Messiah. A Jewish child was under the covenant **by birth** with external privileges, but had to **believe** in the God of the covenant for him or her to receive the internal **spiritual blessings** of the covenant.

In the New Covenant, every child born into a Christian family is **under** the covenant. Yet, every child must believe in God the Father and the Messiah who has come, Jesus Christ, the Lord and Savior. When the child believes he or she is then placed **in** the covenant. Birth gives the Christian child the external privileges of the covenant, but faith gives him or her full internal **spiritual blessings** of the covenant—all the advantages of salvation. NOTE: Christians will disagree as to when this sign is to be placed on the child—as an infant or as a believing adult.