

Class #1 Main Points:

- **Rightly dividing the word starts with understanding the covenants**
- **The Old Covenant was based on Man's performance**
- **Jesus came to a people under the Old Covenant and revealed the New Covenant**
- **The main clause of the New Covenant is God saying, "Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."**
- **The fall introduced Sin-consciousness - The Old Covenant had no answer for that**
- **There is a veil that remains for many when the Old Covenant is read**

Verses Used/For Further Consideration:

- 2 Timothy 2:15
- Exodus 19-24
- Deuteronomy 4:13
- 1 Corinthians 11:25
- Jeremiah 31:31-34
- Hebrews 7:22 & 8:6
- Hebrews 8:7-13
- Hebrews 9&10
- 2 Corinthians 3:14

The Bible seems to couple the ideas of conscience and faith, why do you think that is?

Hebrews 8:6 says that Jesus is the mediator of a better covenant. Give some reasons why it is better:

Most of the Biblical covenants had "signs" (eg. the Noahic Covenant and the rainbow), what do you think is the "sign" of the New Covenant? Is there more than one? Explain your answer.

Covenants can only be broken by death. What does that mean for you and the Old Covenant?
What does that mean for you and the New Covenant?

Hebrews 10:19 says that “we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus.”
Practically, what are the implications of that truth?

“Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more...” what does this mean for your sin?

Have you noticed recently any mindsets or beliefs in your own life that are contrary to the New Covenant?

In light of what you’ve learned, what changes in how you read the Old Testament?

What, in your mind, are the most important distinctions between the Old and New Covenant?

“By calling this covenant ‘new,’ he has made the first one **obsolete**” (Hebrews 8:13) - How do you reconcile this verse with the idea that Jesus said He didn’t come to abolish the Law but to fulfill it?

Say you had a Christian friend who expressed to you that they wanted to participate in some of the Old Covenant ordinances and traditions. What would your advice to them be?

What, in your words, does it mean to have His Law written on your heart?

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