# THE LORD'S - COVENANTS OF PROMISE

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# Our Approach to the Study of Covenants

We are studying the **Covenants** for ourselves. [Not adopting an existing Theology on Covenants]

We are starting in Genesis and working forward through the Old Testament to understand how they are <u>Chronologically</u> and <u>Progressively</u> <u>Revealed</u> and how each <u>Covenant</u> builds on or does not build on each previous <u>Covenant</u>.

# The COVENANT Definition – Update One

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COVENANT of GOD. A Promise of God, always <u>initiated</u> and <u>established</u> by God, Gen 6:18, 9:9, 11, 17 <u>between</u> God and a Person, a People Group, or all Living things, Gen 9:10, Gen 9:17,

according to His Plan, Purpose and Will.

**COVENANT** of **GOD**. as "**Promises**", often with "I will" or "I shall" statements, that "will come to pass". IF the **Covenant** specified certain binding <u>conditions</u> for **God** to fulfill both parties' obligations

then it was considered a Unilateral or Un-Conditional Covenant.

IF the **Covenant** specified certain binding conditions for **God** to fulfill, **God's** Part, and separate conditions for **Man** to fulfill, **Man's** Part,

then it was considered a Bi-lateral or Conditional Covenant.

COVENANT of GOD, often has offered burnt (killed) offerings, Gen 8:20, Gen 22:2, Rom 8:3 COVENANT of GOD, often has "a sign" to "<u>remember</u>" or to <u>identify with</u>, that Covenant, Gen 9:12 COVENANT of GOD, is often identified as an "everlasting covenant", Gen 9:16, Gen 17:7, Jer 32:40

# Abrahamic Covenant Reaffirmed, by Abraham, Gen 24:7

Genesis 24:7

**7 "The Lord**, the **God** of heaven, who took **me** from **my father's** house and from **the land** of **my** birth, and who <u>spoke</u> to **me** and who <u>swore</u> to **me**, saying, 'To **your descendants I will** give this **land**,' Gen 12:7

Abraham Dies at 175 years old, buried in Cave of Machpelah, with Sarah, Gen 25:7-11

## Isaac at 40 years old, Marries Rebekah, Gen 25:21

Rebekah is Barren for 20 years, but Isaac prays about it and she conceives, Gen 25:21 Rebekah is told she has Two Nations or Two Peoples in her womb, Gen 25:22-23 Rebekah bears Twins Esau and Jacob, Isaac is 60 years old, Gen 25:24-26

The Lord Reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant, to Isaac, Gen 26:1-5 and Gen 26:24

The Lord Reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant, to Jacob, Gen 28:10-15

## Jacob Marries Leah and Rachel, and has 12 Sons through 4 Wives, Gen 29:15-30

Leah Bears 4 Sons, Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Gen 29:31-35 Bilhah, Rachael's Maid, Bears 2 Sons, Dan, Naphtali, Gen 30:1-8 Zilpah, Leah's Maid, Bears 2 Sons, Gad, Asher, Gen 30:9-13 Leah Bears 2 Sons and a daughter, Issachar, Zebulun, Dinah, Gen 30:14-21 Rachel Bears Son, Joseph, Gen 30:22-24 Rachel Bears Son, Benjamin, and Dies, Gen 35:16-19 Jacob serves Laban for 20 Years, Gen 31:38-41

### The Lord Reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant to Jacob, Gen 32:12

## The Lord Reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant to Jacob and names him Israel, Gen 35:9–12

### The Story of Joseph, Gen 37 to Gen 50

Joseph, thrown in Pit, sold to Ishmaelites, and brought to Egypt, Gen 37:28 Joseph, bought by Potiphar, becomes in charge of Potiphar's House, Gen 39:1-6 Joseph, accused of coming on to Potiphar's Wife, put in jail, Gen 39:7-20 Joseph, put in charge all the prisoners who were in the jail, Gen 39:21-23 Pharaoh has a dream and Joseph interprets his Dream, Gen 41:1-36 Pharaoh sets Joseph, 30 years old, over all the land of Egypt, Gen 41:39-46

# The 7 years of plenty in the Land of Egypt, Gen 41:47–53

## The 7 years of famine in the Land of Egypt, Gen 41:54

The 10 brothers of Joseph go the 1st Time, to buy grain from Egypt, Gen 42:1-3 The 10 brothers of Joseph go the 2nd Time, to buy grain from Egypt, Gen 43:1-2 Joseph reveals himself to his 10 Brothers, and why God sent him to Egypt, Gen 45:4–10

## The Lord Reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant to Jacob, Gen 46:1–4

### Jacob with his direct descendants come to Egypt, Gen 46:26–27

Jacob, 130 years old, given the land of Goshen to Egypt, Gen 46:28–47:6 Jacob to Die at 147 years old, in the land of Goshen in Egypt, Gen 47:27-28 Jacob reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant, to Joseph, on Death Bed, Gen 46:1–4 Jacob takes Ephraim and Manasseh, as his sons, Gen 46:5-6 Jacob Blesses Ephraim Greater than Manasseh, as his sons, Gen 48:14-9 Jacob reaffirms the Abrahamic Covenant, to Joseph, on Death Bed, Gen 48:20–22 Jacob Blesses and tells Future for the sons of Israel, on Death Bed, Gen 49:1-28 Jacob Dies at 147 years old, in the land of Goshen in Egypt, Gen 47:29-33

### Joseph Dies at 110 years old, in Egypt, and embalmed, Gen 50:22–26 Joseph reaffirms the <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u>, to sons of Israel, on Death Bed, Gen 50:24-26

### Joseph and all his brothers and all that Generation Die, Exodus 1:5

### The sons of Israel increased greatly, and became exceedingly mighty, Ex 1:7 Israel Increasing Greatly, is part of the <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u>, Gen 13:16, 22:17

### A new King arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph, Ex 1:8

The King of Egypt, says, the sons of Israel are more and mightier than we, Ex 1:9 The King, appoints taskmasters over Israel to afflict them with hard labor, Ex 1:10-11 The more Egypt afflicted Israel, the more they multiplied and spread out, Ex 1:12 The Egyptians compelled Israel to labor rigorously, in all kinds of Labor, Ex 1:13-14 the King of Egypt tells the Hebrew midwives, to kill all sons of Israel at Birth, Ex 1:15-16 the Hebrew midwives feared God, and did not do as the King of Egypt said, Ex 1:17-19

# The people of Israel multiplied, and became very mighty, Ex 1:20

Israel multiplying and being a Great Nation, is part of the Abrahamic Covenant, 12:2, 17:2, 26:4

Pharaoh said, Every son who is born of Israel, you are to cast into the Nile, Ex 1:22

Amram went and married a daughter of Levi, Jochebed, Ex 2:1-2

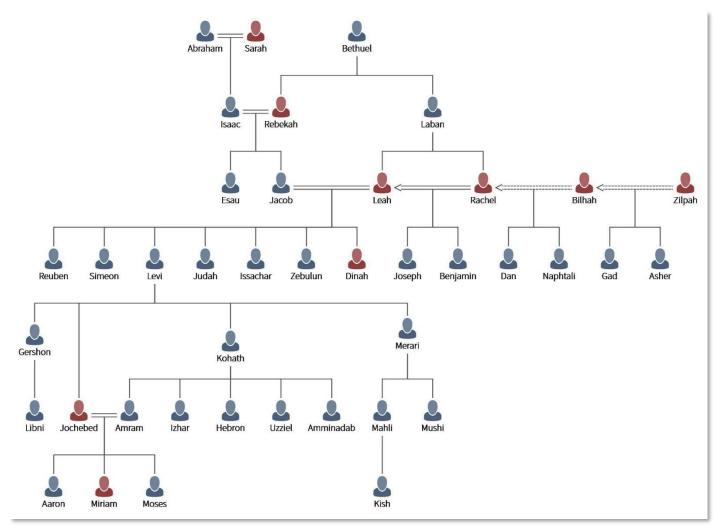
### Read Exodus 2:1-2

1 Now a man from the house of Levi (Amram, Ex 6:20)

went and married a daughter of Levi (Jochebed, Num 26:59).

**2** The woman (Jochebed) conceived and bore a son (Moses, Ex 2:10);

and when she (Jochebed) saw that he was beautiful, she hid him for three months.



Genealogy of Moses through Abraham: the 4<sup>th</sup> Generation, <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u>, Gen 15:16 Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Levi, Kohath, Amram and Jochebed, then Moses, Ex 5:16
Who Came to Egypt: Jacob, Levi, and Kohath, Gen 46:11
Who Born in Egypt: Amram and Jochebed, then Moses, Ex 5:16

Q1:Who's the 4th Generation of Israel out of Egypt, from Abrahamic Covenant, Gen 15:6, and Chart ?A1:1st Generation:2nd Generation:3rd Generation:4th Generation:

Jochebed puts the child Moses in the Nile after 3 Months, Ex 2:3-4 The daughter of Pharaoh acquires the child from the Nile, Ex 2:3-4 the child's sister Miriam asks that Hebrew Woman Nurse the child, Ex 2:7-9 the child grew (until weaned) and was returned to Pharaoh's daughter as her son Moses, Ex 2:10

### Moses grows up, 40 years old, strikes Egyptian for beating a fellow Hebrew, Ex 2:10 When Pharaoh heard, he tried to kill Moses, But Moses fled to Midian, Ex 2:15



#### **MOSES' FLIGHT & RETURN TO EGYPT**

### Moses Marries Zipporah, and has son Gershom, in Midian, Ex 2:22

# The King of Egypt died; the sons of Israel cried out in Bondage, Ex 2:23 Read Exodus 2:23–25 Fulfills enslaved and oppressed in <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u>, in Gen 15:13 23 Now it came about in the course of those many days that the king of Egypt died. And the sons of Israel sighed because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry for help because of their bondage rose up to God.

### God heard Israel; God remembered His <u>Covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob</u> Read Exodus 2:24

24 So God heard their groaning; and <u>God remembered His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob</u>.
25 God saw the sons of Israel, and God took notice of them.

**Q1:** According to, verse 24, who was <u>God's Covenant</u> with ? A1:

### Moses, 80 years old, was pasturing the flock of Jethro at Mt. Horeb (Mt. Sinai) Read Exodus 3:1-3

Now Moses was pasturing the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian; and he led the flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb (Acts 7:30), the mountain of God. (Mt. Sinai)
 The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush; and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire (Acts 7:30), yet the bush was not consumed.
 So Moses said, "I must turn aside now and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burned up."

Q2: The angel of the Lord appears to Moses here, but who else did He appear to before previously ?A2: (1)(2)(3)

# Moses at Mt. Sinai, the Lord has seen the affliction of Israel, and will deliver them

### Read Exodus 3:4–9

4 When the Lord saw that he (Moses) turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am."

- **5** Then **He** said, "Do not come near here; remove **your** sandals from **your** feet, **for** the place on which **you** are standing is **holy ground**."
- 6 He said also, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Then Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.
- **7 The Lord** said, "I have surely <u>seen</u> the affliction of My people who are in Egypt, (<u>Covenant</u>, Gen 15:13) and have <u>given heed</u> to their cry because of their taskmasters, for I am aware of their sufferings.
- 8 "So I have come down to <u>deliver</u> them from the power of the **Egyptians**,
  - and to bring them up from that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Amorite and the Perizzite
    - and the **Hivite** and the **Jebusite**. (<u>Covenant</u>, Gen 15:18–21, Ex 3:17)
- **9** "Now, behold, the cry of the sons of Israel has come to Me;

furthermore, I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians are oppressing them. (Cov., Gen 15:13)

Q3: Who is in the Burning Bush, the angel of the Lord OR the Lord OR God ? A3:

Notice: the things Fulfilled of the <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u> in these verses. **Read** Gen 15:13-19

Notice: in verse 8, the 6 Nations mentioned the Abrahamic Covenant, are the same as in Gen 15:18-19

# Moses, Sent to Bring the Lord's People Israel out of Egypt

# Read Exodus 3:10–16

10 "Therefore, come now, and I will send you to Pharaoh,

so that you may bring My people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt." (Covenant, Gen 15:14) 11 But Moses said to God,

"Who am I, that I should go to **Pharaoh**, and that I should bring the sons of Israel out of **Egypt**?" 12 And He said, "Certainly I will be with you, (Judges 2:1)

- and this shall be **the sign** to **you** that it is I who have sent **you**:
  - when you have brought the people out of Egypt,

you shall worship (Ex 12:31) God at this mountain." (Mt. Horeb, Mt. Sinai, Ex 3:1, Ex 13:20) 13 Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel,

and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.'

Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?"

14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM";

and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has <u>sent</u> me to you.'"

15 God, furthermore, said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel,

'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, (Ex 3:6) has <u>sent</u> me to you.'

This is My name (I AM) forever, and this is My memorial-name to all generations.

16 "<u>Go and gather</u> the elders of Israel together and <u>say</u> to them,

# **'The Lord, the God** of **your fathers, the God** of **Abraham, the God** of **Isaac**, and **the God** of **Jacob**, (Ex 3:6) has <u>appeared</u> to **me**, saying,

"I am indeed concerned about you and what has been done to you in Egypt. (Ex 4:29-31)

Q4:Who "Certainly I will be with Moses", in verse 12, the angel of the Lord OR the Lord OR God OR I AM ?A4:ReadA4:ReadLord DataReadJudges 2:1 and Exodus 14:19,

Notice: the thing to be Fulfilled, of the <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u>, in verse 10, from Gen 15:13-18
Q5: What is His name, in verse 14 ? A5:
Q6: What shall Moses say to the sons of Israel, in verses 14 and 16 ?
A6:

# Moses, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt, to the Land of Canaan Exodus 3:17–22

17 "So I said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt (Covenant, Gen 15:14) to the land of the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Amorite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite, to a land flowing with milk and honey." (Covenant, Gen 15:18–21, Ex 3:8)
18 "They will pay heed to what you say; (Ex 4:29-31)

and you with the elders of Israel will come to the king of Egypt (Ex 5:3, 7:10, 8:25-29)

and you will say to him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us.

So now, please, let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness,

that (Reason) we may sacrifice to the Lord our God.' (Ex 5:3, 7:10, 8:25-29)

**19** "But I know that the king of Egypt will not permit you to go, except under compulsion. (Ex 6:1)

- 20 "So I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with all My miracles which I shall do in the midst of it; and after that he will let you go. (Ex 11:1, 12:31)
- 21 "I will grant this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians;

and it shall be that when **you** go, **you** will not go empty-handed. (<u>Covenant</u>, Gen 15:14, Ex 12:36) 22 "But every woman shall ask of her **neighbor** and the woman who lives in her **house**,

articles of silver and articles of gold, and clothing;

and you will put them on your sons and daughters.

Thus you will plunder the Egyptians." (Covenant, Gen 15:14, Ex 12:36)

Notice: the things to be Fulfilled of the Abrahamic Covenant in verses 17, 21, 22. From Gen 15:13-18

# Moses Leaves Midian to returned to the land of Egypt, to meet with Pharaoh

## Exodus 4:18-23

18 Then Moses departed and returned to Jethro his father-in-law (in Midian) and said to him, "Please, let me go, that I may return to my brethren who are in Egypt, and see if they are still alive." And Jethro said to Moses, "Go in peace."

## 19 Now the Lord said to Moses in Midian,

"Go back to Egypt, for all the men who were seeking your life are dead."

20 So Moses took his wife and his sons and mounted them on a donkey,

and returned to the land of Egypt. Moses also took the staff of God in his hand.

21 The Lord said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt see that you perform before Pharaoh

all the wonders which I have put in your power;

but I will harden his heart so that he will not let the people go.

- 22 "Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the Lord,
  - "Israel is My son, My firstborn. (God's 1<sup>st</sup> Born Son)

23 "So I said to you, 'Let My son (Israel) go that he may serve Me';

but <mark>you</mark> have refused to let him go. Behold, I <mark>will kill your son, your firstborn</mark>." (Pharaoh's 1<sup>st</sup> Born)

## Hardening of the Heart

The Lord will (Future) harden Pharaoh's heart, Ex 4:21, 7:3, 14:4 The Lord actually hardened Pharaoh's heart, Ex 9:12, 10:1, 10:20, 10:27, 11:10, 14:8 Pharaoh's heart was hardened, Ex 7:13, 7:14, 7:22, 8:19, 9:7, 9:35 Pharaoh's hardened his heart, Ex 8:15, 8:32, 9:34

# Aaron Meets up with Moses, performs the signs in the sight of the people

### Exodus 4:27-31

27 Now the Lord said to Aaron, "Go to meet Moses in the wilderness."

So he went and met him at the mountain of God (Mt. Sinai) and kissed him.

**28 Moses** told **Aaron** all the words of **the Lord** with which **He** had sent **him**, and all **the signs** that **He** had commanded **him** to do.

29 Then Moses told Aaron went and assembled all the elders of the sons of Israel; (back in Egypt) 30 and Aaron spoke all the words which the Lord had spoken to Moses.

He then performed the signs in the sight of the people.

31 So <u>the people believed</u>; and when they heard that the Lord was concerned about the sons of Israel and that He had seen their affliction, then they bowed low and worshiped.

# The First Encounter with Pharaoh, Let My people go to feast and sacrifice to the Lord

### Exodus 5:1-4

1 And afterward Moses told Aaron came and said to Pharaoh,

"Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel,

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'Let My people go that they may <u>celebrate a feast</u> to Me in the wilderness.' "
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2 But Pharaoh said, "Who is the Lord that I should obey His voice to let Israel go?

I do not know the Lord, and besides, I will not let Israel go."

**3** Then **they** said, "The **God of the Hebrews** has met with **us**.

Please, let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness

that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God, (Ex 3:18)

otherwise He will fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword."

**4** But the king of **Egypt** said to **them**, **"Moses** told **Aaron**,

why do you draw the people away from their work? Get back to your labors!"

## The Lord said to Moses, Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh;

Exodus 6:1–9		
<b>1</b> Then <b>the Lord</b> said to <mark>Moses</mark> , "Now <mark>you</mark> shall see what I <mark>will</mark> do to <mark>Pharaoh;</mark>		
for <u>under compulsion</u> <mark>he</mark> will let <del>them</del> go,		
and <u>under compulsion</u> he will drive them out of his land."		
2 God spoke further to Moses and said to him, "I am the Lord;		
<b>3</b> and I <u>appeared</u> to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as God Almighty, ( <u>appeared</u> , Gen 17:1, 35:11, 48:3)		
but by My name, Lord, I did not make Myself known to them.		
4 "I also established My <u>covenant</u> with them,	(Covenant, Gen 12:	7, 13:15, 17, 15:18, 17:8)
to give <b>them the land of Canaan</b> ,		
the land in which they sojourned.		
<b>5</b> "Furthermore I have heard the <b>groaning</b> of <b>the sons of Israel</b> ,		
because the <b>Egyptians</b> are holding them in bondage,		
and I have <b>remembered My</b> covenant.	( <u>Covenant</u> , 15:13)	
6 "Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel,		
'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians,		
and I will <u>deliver</u> you from their bondage.	( <u>Covenant</u> , 15:13)	
I will also <u>redeem</u> you (gaal, reclaim as one's own)		
with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. (Deut 7:8)		
7 'Then I will take <mark>you</mark> for My people, and I will be your God	;	( <u>Covenant</u> , 17:7, 17:8)
and <mark>you</mark> shall <u>know</u> that <b>I am the Lord your God,</b>		
who brought you out from under the burdens of	the <b>Egyptians.</b>	( <u>Covenant</u> , 15:14)
<b>8 'I will</b> bring you to the land which I <u>swore</u> to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,		

and I will give it to you for a possession; I am the Lord.' " 9 So Moses spoke thus to the sons of Israel, (<u>Covenant</u>, Gen 12:7, 13:15, 17, 15:18, 17:8)

but they did not listen to Moses on account of their despondency and cruel bondage. (6:12)

# The Second Encounter with Pharaoh, Aaron does sign of staff to a serpent, Ex 6:8-13

The Lord authenticates Moses and Aaron by 10 Plagues on Egypt, Ex 7:14 - 12:36

# The Lord institutes the Passover, to allow Israel to be Passed Over in Judgement, Ex 12:1-28 Exodus 12:12–14

12 'For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments—I am the Lord.

- 13 '<u>The blood shall be a sign for you</u> on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.
- 14 'Now this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall <u>celebrate it as a feast</u> to the Lord; throughout your generations you are to <u>celebrate it as a permanent ordinance</u>.



The angel of the Lord, the Lord himself, and Not an Angel as shown here.



The Lord strikes all the first Born, Man and Beast, of Egypt at Midnight, Ex 12:1-29

**Pharaoh finally sends Moses away to Worship the Lord,** Ex 12:31-32