

The New Covenant: Knowing God

I will be their God and they shall be my people.

Sermon Questions

1. What phrase has been a treasure for God's people throughout the ages?

2. Do you know our Prime Minister? (Yes/No)
3. Circle all of the following that are *true* of the old covenant:
 - i. The old covenant was made with the ethnic people (nation) of Israel.
 - ii. Everyone who was an Israelite was part of the covenant.
 - iii. Everyone who was in the covenant knew the Lord.
 - iv. The Israelites kept the covenant with the Lord.
4. The new covenant is different, rather than entering the covenant through physical birth, one enters the new covenant through the new _____.
5. To be have a personal relationship with God means:
 - i. That you know him.
 - ii. That you worship God in your own way.
 - iii. That he is your God and you are one of his people.
 - iv. That you are in a (new) covenant with him.
 - v. You are forgiven since Jesus has died for your sins.

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Additional Scriptures of what it means to know God (to be in a covenant relationship with him).

1) Whole heart _____.

Jeremiah 24:7, "I will give them a heart to know that I am the Lord, and they shall be my people and I will be their God, for they shall return to me with their whole heart."

2) Obedience rooted in _____.

Ezekiel 11:19–20 says, "And I will give them one heart, and a new spirit I will put within them. I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh, that they may walk in my statutes and keep my rules and obey them. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God."

3) Purity & _____.

Ezekiel 37:23 says, "They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols and their detestable things, or with any of their transgressions. But I will save them from all the backslidings in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God."

4) _____ from the world.

2 Corinthians 6:14–18 says, "Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? What accord has Christ with Belial? Or what portion does a believer share with an unbeliever? What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty."¹

5) Endurance and _____.

Jeremiah 32:38–41 says, "And they shall be my people, and I will be their God. I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever, for their own good and the good of their children after them. I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts, that they may not turn from me. I will rejoice in doing them good, and I will plant them in this land in faithfulness, with all my heart and all my soul."

6) Conquering _____.

Revelation 21:6–8 says, "And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."²