# The Covenants of Scripture: The Mosaic Covenant

### **Scripture**



## • <u>Genesis 15:5</u>-6

And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.

#### • Genesis 22:1-2.9-18

Now it came about after these things, that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take now your son, your only son, whom you love, Isaac, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I will tell you."

<sup>9</sup>Then they came to the place of which God had told him; and Abraham built the alter there and arranged the wood, and bound his son Isaac and laid him on the alter, on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me." Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son. Abraham called the name of that place the LORD Will Provide, as it said to this day, "In the mount of the LORD it will be provided." Then the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, "By Myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son, indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies. In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

#### • Deuteronomy 28:1-7

"Now it shall be, if you diligently obey the LORD your God, being careful to do all His commandments which I command you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. All these blessings will come upon you and overtake you if you obey the LORD your God: Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the country. Blessed shall be the offspring of your body and the produce of your ground and the offspring of your beasts, the increase of your herd and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. The LORD shall cause your enemies who rise up against you to be defeated before you."

<sup>15</sup>But it shall come about, if you do not obey the LORD your God, to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes with which I charge you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you: Cursed shall you be in the city, and cursed shall you be in the country. Cursed

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### **Other Scriptures**

- John 3:16
- Genesis 22:18
- Gal. 3:13,14

#### **Main Points**

- Primary Covenants
  - o Abrahamic Covenant
  - Mosaic Covenant
  - New Covenant
- Basis of the Abrahamic Covenant
  - o Faith
  - o Promise from God
  - Unconditional
- The covenant that we enter into with Jesus has its origin in the Abrahamic Covenant.
- Unlike the Abrahamic Covenant, the Mosaic Covenant is conditional.
- Basis of the Mosaic Covenant
  - Conditional
- True faith is when you believe and respond.
- The New Covenant is the fulfillment of the Abrahamic Covenant.
- Basis of the New Covenant
  - o Faith
  - o Unconditional
  - o Promise from God
- The Abrahamic Covenant is fulfilled in Jesus.
- You can only be blessed by the Mosaic Covenant if you fulfill the conditions of it.

#### **Discussion Questions**

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- 2. How does the Abrahamic Covenant look forward to the New Covenant?
- 3. Why is a covenant based on faith to be desired more than one based on works?