

THE SPIRITUAL CONNECTIONS



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2 Corinthians 3:17: Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom.

The Glory of the New Covenant

By Evangelist Dennis A. Palma

Almighty Father, may we all give You thanks, praise, and bless You Lord for Your unending love, grace, and mercy You have for Your People.

Lord, Your patience for our sinfulness, is beyond human comprehension.

Father, please continue to be patient with us sinners and continue to guide and direct us through Your Holy Spirit to due Your Will, not ours.

Lord may the inspiration of this message helps us to grow in Your Truth!

Father, I ask this prayer in Jesus name.....Amen.

In this months inspired message, I will be taking about The Glory of the New Covenant. The New Covenant, has got to be the greatest covenant that has that has ever been known to man. Why is it the greatest covenant know to man? Because it is a Divine Covenant for eternity, not just manmade.

A manmade covenant, can be anything from an accord; deal; deeds; pact; contract; or settlement etc.,a formal understanding embodying a coming to terms. These manmade covenants throughout history have been known to be broken. On the other hand, God's Infinite Covenant, can never be broken. Why can't it be broken? The reason why it cannot be broken, God said so. Under the New Covenant, which means God's promise or agreement, eternal life comes from the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives new life to all who believe in Christ Jesus. The moral law (The Ten Commandments),still points out our sins and shows us how to obey God, but forgiveness comes only through the grace and mercy of Christ.

God's original intent and purpose for the Ten Commandments was the fact that where there is no law, there is no sin, because people cannot know that their actions are sinful unless a law forbids those actions.

God's law makes people realize that they are sinners doomed to die, yet it offers no help. Sin is real, and it is dangerous.

Imagine a sunny day at the beach, you plunge into the surf then you notice a sign on the pier." No swimming. Sharks in water " your day is ruined. Is it the signs fault? Are you angry with the people who put it up? The law is like a sign. It is essential, and we are grateful for it—but it does no get rid of the sharks. We must never underestimate the power of sin. We must never attempt to fight sin in our own strength because we are not strong enough. Satan is a crafty temper, and we have an amazing ability to make excuses.

Instead of trying to overcome sin with human willpower, we must take a hold of the tremendous power of Christ Jesus that is available to all of us through the New Covenant.

Apostle Paul learned how to deal with this problem. Whenever he felt overwhelmed by the devils warfare, he would return to the beginnings of his spiritual life, remembering how he had been freed from sin by Jesus Christ.

In **2 Corinthians 5:17** it is written; **Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old is gone, and the new has come!**

It is also written in **Romans 6:11**; **In the same way count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.**

“Not guilty, let him go free”—what would those words mean if you were on death row? The fact of the matter is that the whole human race is on death row, justly condemned for repeatedly breaking God’s Holy Laws.

Without Jesus death and God’s New Covenant for us, there would be no hope at all. But thank God! The Lord of the New Covenant has declared us not guilty and has offered us freedom from sin and the power to do His Will. The New Covenant is available to every human being on this planet to study and read. The only exception is for those who refused to believe.

To those who choose not to believe in the power of the Lord, they will continue to go through this world under Satan’s deceptive power, and not the saving powder of the Lord Christ Jesus.

Having the New Covenant to rely on for eternal salvation, Christians are now brand new on the inside. The Holy Spirit gives us a new life, and we are not the same anymore. We are not reformed, rehabilitated, or reeducated—we are recreated (new creations), living in vital union with Christ Jesus.

In **Colossians 2:9** it is written; **For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority.**

Once we are a new creation in the Christ through the New Covenant, we need to grow and maintain our spirituality daily! How can we grow and maintain our creation in Christ? The key is centering on Christ and grounding ourselves in His Word. Learn daily about our Savior.

Daily Bible study. Develop our theological knowledge. Stay humble and curious about the amazing complexity of the world God has made.

Ask a lot of questions about the assumptions behind ideas new to you.

Press towards wisdom. Pray for God’s Wisdom and understanding.

God has given us all minds for learning----never quit using yours!

In closing; it is my hope that this Godly inspired message, will help us all better understand the blessing God has given us in the New Covenant. The New Covenant like I said in the beginning of this message, is the greatest covenant that this world has ever been given. The main reason that we are all so blessed by the New Covenant can be found in **John 3:16**; **For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.** Let us pray. Father may we all give You thanks and praise and bless You Lord, for Your ongoing monthly message that You have blessed us with. Lord I thank You for using me as one of Your spiritual vehicles. Lord I pray that You continue to fill us up with Your Spirit and guide us to Your path of eternal salvation. Father I ask this prayer in Jesus name, Amen!

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JESUS CALLING

By Sarah Young

WHEN THINGS DON'T GO as we would like, accept the situation immediately. If you indulge in feelings of regret, they can easily spill over the line into resentment. Remember that I am sovereign over your circumstances and humble yourself under My almighty hand. Rejoice in what I am doing in your life, even though it is beyond your understanding.

I am the Way the Truth and the Life. In Me you have everything you need, both in this life and for the life yet to come. Don't let the impact of the world shatter your thinking or draw you away from focusing on Me. The ultimate challenge is to keep fixing your eyes on Me, no matter what is going on around you. When I am central in your thinking, you are able to view circumstances from My perspective.

1 Peter 5:6; John 14:6



THE MINISTRY DAILY PRAYER LIST

Please pray daily with this ministry for: Bob McCormick, Cole Brandt, Greg Achinko Sr., Catrina Wilson and Family, Gary Wade and Family, Joe Lakes, Jonathan Baker and Family, Christine Palma, Dennis E Palma, Earnie Carbone, Andria Arceneaux, Greg Dubrois and Family, Joe Longo, Joy Valeri, Mike Buettner, The De Angelo Family, The Stein Family, Johanna Tyson and Family, and Janet Neil.

Also; a daily prayer for all the victims and their families from earthquakes, floods, sunami, tornadoes, fires, persecution, etc. around the world.

Furthermore; a prayer for our troops around the world, and for the spiritual restoration of the United States of America. May we all start to live by God's way, and not the ways of this sinful world! Amen!

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