



What Makes the New Covenant Better?, Part 2

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Hebrews 8:1-13

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What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

A Better Person: Jesus (1-6)

A Better Priesthood: Christ and Melchizedek (7-10)

MELCHIZEDEK, JESUS, & THE LEVITICAL PRIESTHOOD — The Typology & Superiority (7:1-28)

WHAT MAKES THE NEW COVENANT BETTER? (8:1-13)

I. IT IS A BETTER COVENANT vs.1-6

II. IT HAS BETTER BENEFITS vs. 7-13

The Problem with the Old Covenant v. 7

*"For if that first covenant **had been faultless**, there would have been no occasion sought for a second."*

- 1) It was impossible to take away sin.
- 2) There was no power in the Law to change people.
- 3) It was temporary.

The Promises of the New Covenant vs. 8-13 (Jeremiah 31)

- 1) It was **PENNED** by God. v. 8

"Behold, days are coming, says the Lord, when I will effect a new covenant ..."

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

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- 2) It is written on the heart and provided internal **POWER**. vs. 9-10a

"Not like the covenant I made with their fathers ... For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel I will put My laws into their minds, and I will write them on their hearts."

- 3) It brings us into a **PERSONAL** relationship. vs. 10b-11

"And I will be their God, and they shall be my people ... For all will know Me, from the least to the greatest of them."

- 4) It provides **PERMANENT** and actual forgiveness of sin. vs. 12-13

"For I will be merciful to their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."

Today's Growth Point — How does this passage apply to you today?

When we come to the communion table today, we come as members of the New Covenant (Luke 22:14-20) to look:

BACK and remember what Jesus has done in the New Covenant.

UP and remember that Jesus is reigning as our great High Priest of the New Covenant.

AROUND and remember this New Covenant is for all of us who have believed on Jesus.

AROUND and remember that Jesus is coming again to fulfill all the remaining promises of the New Covenant.