

## The New Covenant Replaced the Old Covenant

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It was prophesied during the Old Covenant era that God would make a New Covenant that would replace the Old Covenant: The Prophet Jeremias says, "Behold the days shall come, saith the Lord, and I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Juda. Not according to the covenant which I made with their fathers." (Jer. 31:32)

When Christ died on the holy cross, the Old Covenant ended and was replaced by the New Covenant. At the instant of Christ's death, the sacrificed Christ replaced the animal sacrifices, baptism replaced circumcision, the Melchisedec priesthood (the Christian priesthood) replaced the Levitical priesthood, the pope replaced the high priest, the Christian hierarchy replaced the Levitical hierarchy, and Christianity replaced Judaism. And when Christ rose from the dead, the Lord's Day replaced the Sabbath Day.

The things in the Old Testament era that were figures of Christ's first coming were fulfilled upon his first coming and thus were no longer needed. St. Paul, then, testifies that the Old Covenant ended and was replaced by a new and better Covenant:

"And therefore he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of his death for the redemption of those transgressions which were under the former testament, they that are called may receive the promise of everlasting inheritance." (Heb. 9:15)

"In saying before, sacrifices and oblation, and holocausts for sin thou wouldest not, neither are they pleasing to thee [anymore], which are offered according to the law [the Old Covenant]. Then said I: Behold, I come to do thy will, O God: he taketh away the first [the Old Covenant], that he may establish that which followeth [the New Covenant]. In the which will, we are sanctified by the oblation of the body of Jesus Christ once." (Heb. 10:8-10)

"But now he [Jesus Christ] hath obtained a better ministry, by how much also he is a mediator of a better testament, which is established on better promises." (Heb. 8:6)

"Jesus [is] the mediator of the new testament and to the sprinkling of blood which speaketh better than that of Abel." (Heb. 12:24)

Jesus compares those who try to mix the Old Covenant with the New Covenant to those who put new wine into old bottles. He said,

"And no man putteth new wine into old bottles: otherwise the wine will burst the bottles, and both the wine will be spilled and the bottles will be lost. But new wine must be put into new bottles." (Mk. 2:22)

Hence those who try to put the New Covenant in the Old Covenant or side-by-side with it destroy the meaning and purpose of both covenants. There is only one covenant with God in effect, and it is the New Covenant. Hence the Christ-denying Jews are not under any covenant with God. They are under a covenant with hell, with their father Satan (Jn. 8:44). The Prophet Isaias says that evil Jews are under a covenant with hell: "Wherefore hear the word of the Lord, ye scornful men, who rule over my people that is in Jerusalem... Your league with death shall be abolished and your covenant with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass, you shall be trodden down by it." (Isa. 28:14, 18)

So woe to those who try to place the Old Covenant in the New Covenant or side by side with it, as do the Christian Zionists. If the New Covenant did not replace the Old Covenant, then the Messias and redemption did not yet come and hence Jesus would be a fraud or there would be two Messias, both of which are heretical.

(For more, see my [Brief on the New Covenant replaced the Old Covenant.](#))