

The Abrahamic Covenant and the New Covenant

Acts 3:23; Gen 17:10-14

The only way to inherit the land is by keeping the covenant made with Abraham, not by fighting for it. Fighting physical opponents is fallen Israel's only hope. While spiritual Israel is acquiring the land promised by spiritual warfare (Eph 6:10). The Spiritual Israel today is acquiring the promised land for physical Israel.

Gal 2:18-15; Ex 2:24; 3:16; 6:4-8

To pursue fulfillment of the Abrahamic covenant the Mosaic covenant was instituted. But the Abrahamic covenant could not be kept by LAW observance, but by a new covenant where one would have to have a new heart. Now the sanctification required in the Abrahamic covenant is possible through grace of the Spirit in this new heart. 1 Ths 4:3 — The will of our Father in heaven for you — our SANCTIFICATION: the same will He had for Abraham, and every son He chooses. Circumcision in the New Covenant is the sign of SANCTIFICATION, not justification as under the LAW (Acts 15:1; Ga1 3:25,29), in fulfillment of the PROMISE. There are certain outward signs that take the place of circumcision in the New Covenant (Jn 13:34-35), which are the result of the Holy Spirit in the new heart, showing his acceptance by YHWH or his justification or forgiveness (Gal 4:6), or his reconciliation.

The Galatians were not acting like heirs since they were still under LAW OBSERVANCES (Ga1 4:8-11), instead of keeping the covenant of Abraham — having intimacy with YHWH, knowing Him as El Shaddai and fulfilling Gen 18:19. Here the Galatians were under bondage again, the legalistic practice of Judaism (Gal 4:3,9).

There is no bondage of law in the Abrahamic covenant 430 years before the law was given. Gal 3:16 is the fulfillment — the seed — only in Him can we ever be sanctified and justified for a new covenant relationship with Him as our father Abraham had with Him (Jn 8:39). Lk 22:20 — The new covenant after the order of the Abrahamic Covenant, not the Mosaic covenant of the Old Testament.

The covenant we make with YHWH in the new covenant as in fulfilling the Abrahamic covenant (2 Cor 5:15) is sanctification. In Gen 17:10, circumcision is called “the covenant.”

The land is only gained by the circumcision of sanctification. 1 Ths 5:24 — He will do it or bring it to pass, if we have entered into the covenant with Him — by our participation in His blood and His body we enter into this kind of a relationship. 1 Cor 10:16 — Spiritual communion with evil spirits prohibit this covenant and we become covenant breakers as the Corinthians and the whole first church (Rom 11:20).

To stir Israel to *emulation* (Rom 11:11) the church today CANNOT in the least even attempt. Circumcision signifies purification (Ex 6:12,30), which without communion is impossible (Rev 3:20), especially at the same table (Gen 17:7).

The New Covenant includes the Abrahamic Covenant as fulfilled in the Millennial Kingdom. The church today is supposed to be the foretaste of that kingdom in fulfilling these covenants in Messiah.

The sign of the covenant is circumcision and is to be observed by MEN in Messiah who are sanctified by His work in them (Gen 17:11). And we must bear that mark and those who don't will be cut off (Gen 17:13-14; Acts 3:21-24). Then and only then will YHWH be the God of Abraham and his seed after him (Gen 17:7-8), particularly with the son of the promise only — his seed (Gen 17:18-21).

Although all nations will be blessed in Abraham's seed, it is not a covenant with all flesh as Gen 9:9-17 to Noah. This covenant does not bless except those who keep it. Gen 15:9-17 is completed in Abraham (Gen 17:10-14). Those who keep this covenant will certify the security and immutability of the promise of the inheritance of the whole and entire land of Canaan. Those fighting for it today will prove to be making a vain attempt. Those in the Body of Messiah, the twelve-tribed Israel, will secure it for our brothers according to the flesh (after two thirds are cut off, Zec 13:7-9). For the necessity of keeping the covenant is upon Abraham's seed only. In Messiah is the only means available to man (Gen 17:10-14). The one failing to keep the requirements of this covenant and breaking it is cut off from the LAND. For a covenant that gives its blessings to all indiscriminately cannot be kept or broken.

The sign or mark that we belong to Him is LOVE (Jn 13:34), and the sign or mark that seals one's justification is CIRCUMCISION (Gen 17:13) — and the mark upon the forehead (Rev 7:4) is the sign that seals circumcision as true and real and genuine, tested and approved (Gen 15:6-18; 17:10-14; 22:1-18; Jms 2:22-24).

The promises of the Abrahamic Covenant have not yet been fulfilled (Gen 15:8-18; 17:1-8,19; 12:3; Acts 3:25) Whatever true and real circumcision means, it means FIRST OF ALL before you do any cutting that one has acquired the mind of Messiah in SANCTIFICATION and revelation. Physical circumcision is under a principle of LAW any other way than that if one FIRST has an intimate knowing of Messiah (Phil 3:10), not of the surgeon, but of the True Surgeon! Amen!