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I. Introduction



Why Does God Enter into Covenants?

- He did not need to reveal His Will
- His Character is Enough
- His Word is Sufficient
- He does not need to make Covenants
- Unique significance of History
- To reveal His Glory

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- **A Legally Binding Contract**
- **An Agreement, Pact, Treaty**
- **Specifies behavior to be complied with**



IMPORTANCE

- 1. Ultimate assurance of God's faithfulness**
- 2. Reveals God's plan for universe**
- 3. Set parameters for world history**
- 4. Key to understanding Bible**

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- **Between Men - Gen 21:27**
- **In Marriage - Mal 2:14**
- **Between Tribes - Josh 9:7**
- **Between Nations - Deut 7:2**
- **God & Man - Noahic, Abrahamic,
Mosaic, Land, Davidic, New**

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C. Elements



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III. God's Covenants

A. Noahic



Gen 9:8-10. Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying, 9 “Now behold, I Myself do establish My covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; 10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you; of all that comes out of the ark, even every beast of the earth.

NOAHIC COVENANT

Gen 9:8-17

- **Parties - God, Noah, Descendants, Animals, Earth**
- **Stipulations - Stable universe**
- **Signing - Unconditional**
- **Sign - Rainbow**

**Jer 33:25 “Thus says the Lord, ‘If
My covenant for day and night
stand not and the fixed patterns of
heaven and earth I have not
established,**

Jer 33:26 then I would reject the descendants of Jacob and David My servant, not taking from his descendants rulers over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. But I will restore their fortunes and will have mercy on them.””

**Job 38:33 Do you know the ordinances
of the heavens, or fix their rule
over the earth?**

**“Only the Hebrews, so far
as we know, made covenants
with their gods or God.”**

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ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

Gen 15:18, 17:1-8

- **Parties - God, Abraham, & descendants**
- **Stipulations**

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➤ **Seed**

➤ **Land**



Gen 15:18 On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I have given this land, From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates:

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- **Seed**
- **Land**
- **Blessing**



ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

Gen 15:18, 17:1-8

- **Parties - God, Abraham, & descendants**
- **Stipulations - Seed, Land, Blessing**
- **Signing - Unconditional**
- **Sign - Circumcision**

HISTORY of COVENANT

- **Promised -** 12:1-3, 13:14-17
- **Instituted -** 15:1-21
- **Confirmed -** 17:1-21, 22:15-18
- **Re-instituted -** 26:3-4, 24
- **Re-instituted -** 28:13-15, 35:9-12
- **Remembered -** Ex 2:24, 2Kg 17:15
- **Fulfilled -** Gal 3, Act 3:25-26

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B. Abrahamic

C. Mosaic



Ex 19:3-5 Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the sons of Israel: 4 ‘You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, 5 ‘Now then, if you will indeed **obey** My voice and **keep My covenant**, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine;

MOSAIC COVENANT

Ex 19:3-8

- **Parties - God, Children of Israel**
- **Stipulations - Law**
- **Signing - Conditional**
- **Sign - Sabbath**

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Deut 29:1 These are the words of the **covenant** which the **LORD** commanded Moses to make with the sons of Israel in the land of **Moab**, besides the covenant which He had made with them at **Horeb**.

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NOAHIC

(Unconditional)



ABRAHAMIC

(Unconditional)

MOSAIC

(Conditional)

Seed

Blessing

Land

LAND

DAVIDIC

NEW

A photograph of a sunset over the Sea of Galilee. The sun is a bright orange circle on the horizon, with its light reflecting on the water. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds. The foreground shows the dark silhouette of a hillside with some trees.

**Our Lord is sovereign
over world history!!!**

Sea of Galilee from Kursi