

3. Jesus then justifies us from sin

“Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies.”  
Romans 8:33 (ESV)

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9 ESV

Model of Repentance to God:

1. I sinned.
2. Your spirit convicted me of that.
3. I know it.
4. I acknowledge what I did and I want to repent from it.
5. I ask you to forgive and restore me. (#1-5 by Tim Challies)
6. Do I need to make it right? Do I need to make amends?

4. Jesus intercedes for us

“Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.” Romans 8:34 (ESV)

**As a result of this new covenant, you and I  
have unlimited access into the presence of God.**

**Hebrews 11 Response:**

1. Let us draw near to God
2. Let us hold fast to the hope we profess
3. Let us not give up meeting together



## What Does That Really Mean? -- Covenant

“and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”  
(John 8:32 ESV)

**What is Covenant?**

English Definition - a formal agreement between countries, organizations, or people that is legal and binding.

Biblical Definition - It is a lifelong relationship between two or more parties.

**Four Attributes of Old Testament Covenants:**

1. All Covenants are started and initiated by God.
2. God promises to be faithful to His Covenant
3. It is either conditional or unconditional
4. God’s covenant extends to the following generations.

**Why is Covenant a Big Deal?**

1. God is a covenant-making God. He is the one who initiates covenant.

“Thus says the Lord: If you can break my covenant with the day and my covenant with the night, so that day and night will not come at their appointed time, 21 then also my covenant with David my servant may be broken, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and my covenant with the Levitical priests my ministers.” (Jeremiah 33:20-21, ESV)

2. God initiates covenant because He loves people and He loves relationships.

3. Covenant show us that God always wants to bless people. He wants them to have an abundant life.

4. Finally, covenant shows us how God relates to people.

God grieved: “Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they would fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever!” Deuteronomy 5:29

### **Created, Not Born**

“For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.”  
Psalm 139:13-14 (ESV)

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”  
Jeremiah 1:5 (ESV)

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”  
Ephesians 2:10 (ESV)

### **Q&A**

Q: So what do you do if you are God and you want relationship with people who are not able to have a relationship with you?

A: You need to fulfill both parts of the covenant.

### **Christ Came to Fulfill the Law**

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.”  
Matthew 5:17 (ESV)

### **How Does Jesus’ Death Establish a New Covenant?**

1. Jesus ransomed us from captivity

“And they sang a new song, saying, ‘Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,’”  
Revelation 5:9 (ESV)

2. Jesus sustains and empowers us

“What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? 32 Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won’t he also give us everything else?”  
Romans 8:31-32 (NLT)