

The Covenant of the Pieces

**Eternal Unconditional
Covenant of Grace**

Abram and the Covenant

Romans 4:

- 1 ¶ What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh?
- 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God.
- 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."
- 4 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt.

- 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness,
- 6 just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works:
- 7 "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, And whose sins are covered;
- 8 Blessed is the man to whom the LORD shall *not* impute sin."

NOT

G3364

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oo may

That is, G3756 and G3361; a double negative strengthening the denial; not at all: - any more, at all, by any (no) means, neither, never, no (at all), in no case (wise), nor ever, not (at all, in any wise). Compare G3378.

GOSPEL

Galatians 3:8

And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

Are we grafted in?

Genesis 12:3

**I will bless those who bless you,
and I will curse him who curses
you. In you will all of the families
of the earth be blessed."**

וְנִבְרַחוּ בְּכָּךְ כָּל מִשְׁפַּחַת הָאָדָמָה

V'nivrechu b'cha kol Mishpechot ha'adamah

“In you will all of the families
of the earth be grafted in.”

GOSPEL

Hebrews 4:2

For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.

**THE STORY OF ABRAHAM IS
ABOUT ANCIENT COVENANT
MAKING BETWEEN THE WORD
OF YHVH AND ABRAHAM**

The Memra of YHVH

The Targums were authoritative Aramaic paraphrases of the books of the Tenach which were read in the synagogues along with the Hebrew of the Torah and Haftorah readings. Often when the Targums come to passages where YHVH is anthropomorphised or seen, or where two or more YHVHs are indicated by the text, the Targums will substitute "The MEMRA [Logos] of YHVH" for YHVH.

THE MEMRA OF YHVH

GENESIS 15:1

¶ After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.

TARGUM ONKELOS

Parasha Lech-Lecha

XV. After these things the word
*(pithgama) of the Lord came to
Abram in prophecy, saying, Fear
not, Abram: My Word (Memra)
shall be thy strength, and thy
exceeding great reward.*

Hebrews 1:1

Elohim, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways,

THE ANGEL OF YHVH

The angel according to Jewish theology, was he who discoursed with Moses and the angel in whom G-d placed His Name. The following from the Zohar is of interest in this case:

_There is a man, if a Man He is, Who is an Angel. This Angel is Metatron, the Keeper of Israel; He is a man in the image of the Holy One, blessed be He, Who is an Emanation from Him [from G-d]; yea, He [the Metatron] is YHVH. Of Him cannot be said, He is created, formed or made; but He is the Emanation from G-d.

Colossians 1:16

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

Colossians 1:15

**Who is the image of the
invisible Elohim, the firstborn
of every creature:**

Colossians 1:17

**And he is before all things,
and by him all things
consist.**

RABBI -Kimchi

**The L-rd is the King Messiah; He is also the
Angel of the
Covenant.**

RABBI Aben Ezra

**The L-rd is both the Divine Majesty, and the
Angel of the
Covenant, for the sentence is doubled.**

Philo Judeus

For those who cannot look upon the Son Himself, behold Him in His reflected light, even thus do they regard the image of G-d, Who is His Angel, the MEMRA [Logos], as ELOHIM Himself.

Yochanan 1:1 (John 1:1):

**In the beginning was the
MEMRA, the MEMRA was with
Elohim, and the MEMRA was
Elohim.**

**According to Targum Onkelos, this MEMRA of
YHVH that Abraham
trusted in:**

**And Abraham trusted in
the MEMRA of YHVH,
and He counted it to him for
righteousness.**

(Targum Onkelos Gen. 15:6)

Midrash Rabbah - Genesis XLIV:1

AFTER THESE THINGS THE MEMRA OF THE LORD CAME UNTO ABRAM IN A VISION, etc. (XV, 1). It is written, As for Elohim, His, - way is perfect; the MEMRA of the Lord is tried (II Sam. XXII, 31) if His way is perfect, how much the more He Himself! Rab said: The precepts were given only in order that man might be refined' by them. For what does the Holy One, blessed be He, care whether a man kills an animal by the throat or by the nape of its neck;? Hence its purpose is to refine [try] man.

3 for it is written, And thou foundest his [sc. Abraham's] way faithful before Thee, etc. (Neh. IX, 8). ' The MEMRA of the Lord is tried' intimates that the Holy One, blessed be He, tried him in a fiery furnace. He is a shield unto all them that take refuge in Him (II Sam. loc. cit.); hence, FEAR NOT. ABRAM, I AM THY SHIELD, etc.

**Abraham prayed in the name of the
MEMRA of YHVH:**

**And Abraham worshipped and prayed
in the name of the MEMRA [Memra] of
YHVH,
and said, "You are YHVH who does see,
but You cannot be seen."
(Jerusalem Targum Gen. 22:14)**

The Consequences of Breaking Covenant

Jeremiah 34:18-20

And I will give the men who have transgressed My covenant, who have not stood on the words of the covenant which they have cut with Me when they cut the calf in two, and passed between its parts, the rulers of Judah and the rulers of Jerusalem, the eunuchs and the priests, and all the people of the land who passed between the parts of the calf; I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of those seeking their life. And their dead bodies shall be for food to the birds of the heavens, and to the beasts of the earth.

GENESIS 15

- 1 AFTER these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram; I am your shield, and your reward is exceedingly great.**
- 2 And Abram said, O LORD God, what will thou give me, for I will die childless, and Eliezer of Damascus, one of my household, will be my heir?**
- 3 And Abram said, Behold, thou hast given me no son; and, behold, one of the members of my household will be my heir.**
- 4 Then the LORD said to him, This man shall not be your heir; but your own son that shall come out of your own loins shall be your heir.**

- 5 And he brought him outside, and said to him, Look now toward heaven and number the stars, if you are able to number them; and he said to him, So shall your descendants be.**
- 6 And Abram believed in the LORD; and it was counted to him for righteousness.**
- 7 And he said to him, I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it.**
- 8 And Abram said, O LORD God, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?**

- 9 And he said to him, Take for yourself a heifer, three years old, a three year old ram, a three year old she-goat, a pigeon, and a young dove.**
- 10 And he took to himself all these, and cut them in two, and laid each piece against another; but the birds he did not divide.**
- 11 And when the birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.**
- 12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram; and, lo, fear and a great darkness fell upon him.**

13 And the LORD said to Abram, Know of a surety that your descendants shall be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and shall be in servitude: and they shall afflict them for four hundred years;

14 But I will judge the nation which they shall serve; and afterward they shall come out with great wealth.

15 And you shall depart from this life and go to your fathers in peace; and you shall be buried at a good old age.

18 On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, To your descendants have I given this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates:

19 The land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

20 The Hittites, the Perizzites, the Giants,

21 The Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

COVENANT

H1285

ברית

b^erîyth

ber-eeth'

From H1262 (in the sense of cutting (like H1254)); a compact (because made by passing between pieces of flesh): - **confederacy, [con-]feder[-ate], covenant, league.**

Exodus 19:5

Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

Genesis 17:

2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

4 ¶ As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. {many...: Heb. multitude of nations}

7 ¶ And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

**COVENANT BETWEEN
DAVID AND
JONATHAN**

1 Samuel 18:

1 ¶ And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.

3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.

4 And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

THE STEPS OF THE ANCIENT COVENANTS

- 1) Take off your robe or coat.**
- 2) Take off your belt**
- 3) Cut The covenant**
- 4) Raise the right arm and mix the blood**
- 5) Exchange names**
- 6) Make a scar**
- 7) Give the terms of the Covenant**
- 8) Eat a memorial meal**
- 9) Plant a memorial**

(Reference from The Scarlet Thread by Richard Booker)

Take off your robe or coat

Genesis 15:1

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Fathers

Blessed art Thou, Lord our Elohim and Elohim of our fathers,

Elohai Abraham, Elohai Isaac, and Elohai Jacob, The great, mighty, and awesome Elohim, Elohim Supreme, who extends loving kindness and is Master of all, Who remembers the gracious deeds of our fore fathers, And who will bring a Redeemer with love to their children's children for His name's sake. King, Helper, Savior, and Protector, Blessed art Thou, Lord, Shield of Abraham.

Deuteronomy 33:

26 ¶ There is none like unto the God of Jeshurun, who rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky.

27 The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

Deuteronomy 33:

28 Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine; also his heavens shall drop down dew.

29 Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy Excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places. {found...: or, subdued}

Psalms 28

6 ¶ Blessed be the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.

7 The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiced; and with my song will I praise him.

Take off your belt

On the belt the person had the Money, Sword, and Shield. They exchange it with one another to show how committed to the covenant.

Cut The covenant

Exodus 19:

5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Building the Altar

Exodus 20:

24 An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.

25 And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not build it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it. {build...: Heb. build them with hewing}

26 Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.

Isa 42:6

I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles;

Isa 49:8

Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages; {establish: or, raise up}

Isa 54:10

For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

Raise the right arm and mix the blood

Matthew 26:64

Yeshua saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

1 Peter 3:22

Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

Hebrews 10:12

But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

Exodus 24:

1 ¶ And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off.

2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.

3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the LORD hath said will we do.

Exodus 24:

4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.

6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

Hebrew 10:

26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.

28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:

Hebrews 10:29

Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

Exchange names

Genesis 17:

- 4 ¶ As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. {many...: Heb. multitude of nations}
- 5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. {Abraham: that is, Father of a great multitude}

The Letter ה in the name of Abraham

- The Letter ה represents the Ruach (spirit)
- The same Letter was added to the name of Sarai changed to Sarah

Isaiah 62:

- 1 ¶ For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.**
- 2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name.**
- 3 Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.**

Revelation 2:17

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

Revelation 3:12

Him that overcomes will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Make a scar

Genesis 17:

10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.

12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed. {he that is eight...: Heb. a son of eight days}

13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.

Yeshua showing his sign of the covenant

John 20:

24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Yeshua came.

25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

John 20:

26 ¶ And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Yeshua, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

Give the terms of the Covenant

Deuteronomy 29:

10 ¶ Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel,

11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:

12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day: {enter: Heb. pass}

Deuteronomy 29:

13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee a God, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;

15 But with him that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also with him that is not here with us this day:

Eat a memorial meal

Genesis14:18

And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

Matthew 26:

26 ¶ And as they were eating, Yeshua took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. {blessed it: many Greek copies have gave thanks}

27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

Matthew 26:

28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

Mark 14:24

And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new <kainos> testament, which is shed for many.

Plant a memorial Tree

Jeremiah 11:

16 The LORD called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

17 For the LORD of hosts, that planted thee, hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto Baal.

Psalms 52:

8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

9 I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done it: and I will wait on thy name; for it is good before thy saints.

Hoshea14:

4 ¶ I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.

5 I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon. {grow: or, blossom} {cast...: Heb. strike}

6 His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.

Romans 11:

1 ¶ I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.

2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,

Romans 11:

13 For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:

14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them.

The Talmud affirms in Yebamot 17B:

**The 10 tribes that are disperse
in exile are Gentiles**

Romans 11:

15 For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?

16 For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

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ἀποβολή

apobolē

ap-ob-ol-ay'

From G577; rejection; figuratively
loss: - casting away, loss.

H5034

נבל

nâbêl

A primitive root; to wilt; generally to fall away, fail, faint; figuratively to be foolish or (morally) wicked; causatively to despise, disgrace: - disgrace, dishonour, lightly esteem, fade (away, -ing), fall (down, -ling, off), do foolishly, come to nought, X surely, make vile, wither.

CUT OFF

H3772

כרת

kârath

kaw-rath'

A primitive root; to *cut (off, down or asunder); by implication to destroy or consume; specifically to covenant (that is, make an alliance or bargain, originally by cutting flesh and passing between the pieces): - be chewed, be con- [feder-] ate, covenant, cut (down, off), destroy, fail, feller, be freed, hew (down), make a league ([covenant]), X lose, perish, X utterly, X want.*