

JESUS AND THE NEW COVENANT

Hebrews 8:6-13; (Jeremiah 31:31-34)

INTRODUCTION

The writer of Hebrews declares that the Old Covenant has been replaced by a new and better covenant which is mediated by Jesus Christ.

I. THE MEANING OF THE COVENANT

- A. THE HEBREW WORD FOR COVENANT IS “*BERITH*”
- B. THERE ARE TWO GREEK WORDS FOR “COVENANT”

II. THE NEED FOR A NEW COVENANT (VV. 7-8)

- A. THE FIRST COVENANT WAS FAULTY (V 7)
- B. THIS FAILURE WAS NOT ON GOD’S PART
- C. THE PROBLEM WAS THAT MAN WOULDN’T KEEP THE COVENANT (V 8)
- D. IT WAS GOD WHO DECLARED THAT THE FIRST COVENANT WAS INADEQUATE

III. NATURE OF THE NEW COVENANT

- A. IT IS NEW IN QUALITY
- B. IT IS WRITTEN IN THE HEART OF THE BELIEVER
- C. IT PROVIDES FORGIVENESS AS LONG AS IT IS NEEDED (V 12)

CONCLUSION

This is His NEW COVENANT! It is God’s unchanging will for all men everywhere.