

What is a Covenant?



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What Is A Covenant ?

- Between nations
- Between families
- Between individuals
- An irrevocable, self-sacrificial commitment between two parties to mutual terms of agreement, sealed by a vow or oath.



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Covenants in Scripture



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Cutting Covenant



- Feeding with meat, butchery

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Covenant Rites

- Sacrifice
- Oath
- Sign
- Meal



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Abraham and God

- Sacrifice – Abraham sleeps
- Oath – Bless the nations



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Two Ideas of Covenant

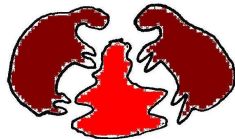


- ***syntheke*** A covenant between peers (*David and Jonathan*)
- ***diatheke*** A covenant made by a greater *on behalf of* a lesser. (*e.g. a King*)

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Abraham and God

- **Sacrifice** – Abraham sleeps
- **Oath** – Bless the nations
- **Sign** – Circumcision
- **Meal** – at Mamre



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