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Psalm 105:8

He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations.

Covenant— (Hebrew) Kaw-rath meaning an alliance or bargain.

Covenant—(Greek)
Soon-tith-emahee meaning to place jointly, to consent.

A covenant is something that shouldn't be taken lightly. A Covenant is a contract. With a contract there are stipulations and promises that are made from both parties. One party agrees to provide the services if the other party agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the contract. If one of the parties breaks the contract, it's considered a breach of contract and the other party doesn't have to abide by the contract any longer because it has been breached.

With some contracts you may have to pay a fine with others you may have to do time in jail or prison.

The Bible gives us instructions on Covenant. In the natural it's called an Agreement or a Contract, spiritually it's called a Covenant. Whether naturally or spiritually, God is expecting us to fulfill our responsibilities. God is concerned about our natural life as much as He is concerned about our spiritual life. God has instructed us in our role as employer and employee. When hired for a position, the potential employee has to sign a form stating he or she is willing

to accept the wages, job duties, as well as the required hours to be worked. Once you've signed the form, you have agreed to follow the employer's rules and regulations. Now, the Bible teaches us as Christians how we are suppose to conduct ourselves in a covenant agreement with an employer.

Ephesians 6:5

Servants (employee) be obedient to them that are your masters (employer) according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ. Not with eye service, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.

As an employee; if the individual doesn't produce or carry out the expectation of the employer, the employer has the legal right to terminate the person and it would be considered a breach of contract because the individual signed an agreement that they would produce what the employer was requiring. As Christians, we must follow the rules of God in every area of our life including our employment.

When we marry, we're in a Covenant with our spouse and God. In making a vow it's an earnest promise that binds one to a specified act or mode of behavior. Whereas with a covenant, it's a formal binding agreement before God and others with the words of commitment to be together until death do we part. If we took it as seriously as it is, there wouldn't be self-centeredness or control over one another, infidelity wouldn't be in the marriages

because we would honor what we have promised our spouse as well as what we have spoken into the ears of God. Lust of the eyes has gotten many in trouble with the flesh. People should make a covenant with their eyes.

Job 31:1

I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I look upon a maid.

Women are breaking the marriage covenant just as men are, but broken promises and vows will be dealt with by God for the wife and husband.

Malachi 2:14

Yet, ye say, Wherefore because the Lord hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously. Yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

God was rebuking Israel's for their unfaithfulness to their wives. They were divorcing their Hebrew wives to marry heathen women.

In the time of Moses when a wife was expected of adultery, she was given a potion, and if she was unfaithful, the priest would tell the woman "The Lord make thee a curse and oath among thy people, when the Lord doth make they thigh to rot, (fall away) and thy belly to swell". (Numbers 5:11-22). God honors Covenants although the secular judges will give a divorce, the last Judge has the last say so. If one is divorce because they

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went outside the marriage the individual has to answer to God. The individual may think he or she got away with it, but it's recorded in heaven.

Divorce is running rampant in the world as well as in the church because people aren't honoring their covenant with their spouse. As Christians we must pray for our spouse, we must speak into our spouse's life the word of God and as we speak and pray we must believe what we say shall come to pass, God watches over His word to perform them.

1st Corinthians 7:14

For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband, else were your children unclean, but now are they holy.

I don't believe the Apostle Paul wouldn't have spoken this scripture if he wasn't unctioned by the Holy Spirit. As Christians we have to fight in the spirit for our marriage not our spouse! The same Spirit that lived in the Prophet Samuel, lives in us, if we have been born-again of the Spirit and just as God didn't let a word Samuel spoke come to naught, God will do the same thing with us.

1st Samuel 3:19

And Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground.

As people of God we must come to the realization of who we are in God. We can't control people's will, but we can take authority over ungodly spirits that are using them against their wills.

God's Covenant goes further than just with our place of employment and marriages. God wants us to have Covenant with Him. God's Covenant is, I will, if you will do. First of all, if we want to receive the Covenant's blessings, we must be born again of the Spirit of God.

John 3:5

Jesus answered, verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Once we have been born-again of the Spirit of God, we have a promise from Jesus.

Acts 1:8

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and you shall be witness unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Once we receive the Holy Spirit, God gives us another promise that is in the Covenant of God.

Luke 10:19

Behold, I give unto you power to tread (trample) on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Now in order to receive this power we must do the following:

James 1:22

But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

We can't take authority over nothing if we have not submitted our lives and wills to the Lord. As we submit ourselves to God, we will begin to see the Fruits of the Spirit and the Gifts of the Spirit will operate in our lives because these are promises God has given us by being a Covenant people with a Covenant God!

God is a Covenant God and He reveals who He is by the names He has given Himself. We can receive of God through His Covenant names.

When we go to God, we must believe in what we're praying for. If we're going to worry then don't pray, if you're going to pray, then don't worry. Wavering minds don't receive an answer to their prayers.

Jehovah-rapha—The God who heals

Psalms 103:3

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, who healeth all thy diseases.

Jehovah-tisdkenu—The Lord God our righteousness.

Jeremiah 23:6

In his day Judah shall be saved; and Israel shall dwell safely; and this is his name whereby he shall be called the Lord Our Righteousness.

You may say, well this was for Israel, but according to the word of God, we are the spiritual Israel.

Romans 2:29

But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly, and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

Jehovah-m-Kaddesh—The Lord sanctifies.

1st Corinthians 1:30

But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

Jehovah-shalom—The Lord God of Peace.

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Jehovah-jireh—The Lord God, my provider.

Philippians 4:19

But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

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Jehovah-nissi—The Lord God, our victory and Banner.

Exodus 17:15

And Moses built an alter and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi.

Moses was at war with Amalek, and God promised Moses, "I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven."

God gives us victory in every battle we're in when we submit to His Word, then will we receive the Covenant blessings.

Jehovah-rohi—The Lord is my Shepherd.

Psalms 23:1

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

There is nothing that we can be going through that God will not supply the need. The Bible states, God watches over His word and He hasten to perform them. We as the people of God must learn how to live according to the word of God in order to receive the promises of God. When we pray, we need to pray the scriptures. God's word will not and shall not return to Him void!

Know that God is on your side, you must know that no weapon formed against you shall prosper, no lie that's told on you will prevail, no witchcraft or voodoo can stop the plan of God.

Although it may seem as though you are in the valley of the shadow of death, know that Jesus is in the valley with you, just as you went into the valley, after you finish the valley experience, you shall have mountain top experience. You can't speak to the mountain, if you've never been in the valley.

Know in your spirit, heart and mind as you walk uprightly before God, there is no good thing He will withhold from you.

Speak to your situations and tell them "You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you."

Speak to your body and tell it, because Jesus dwell in you and you in Him, the Spirit of God that lives in you dominates the flesh; because you have the authority to dominate the flesh, you have authority over the sickness and disease that attacks the flesh.

The symptoms operating in your body cannot stay because you have a Covenant with God. Jesus died for our transgressions, Jesus was bruised for our iniquities the chastisement of our peace was upon Jesus, and with the stripes of Jesus we are healed. Depression cannot overtake the blood of Jesus. Every area you need healing and deliverance begins to command the blood of Jesus to be upon the situation. You speak to the situation and circumstance until you see a manifestation of the power of God working in it.

If God's Word abides in you, and you in the Word, God has given you the authority through His Son to bind and loose. Whatsoever you bind on earth, shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever you loose on earth, shall be loosed in heaven, why? Because you have a Covenant with God, God's word will prevail when everything else is failing. Covenant is partnership, Covenant is unity, Covenant is agreement.

The God that lives inside of you is more powerful than anything that can come against you. Those that know their God shall do great exploits!

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