

## ARE YOU COVENANTED? – PART 6

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### Part 1 – Re-cap & Definition

Covenant - definition: An agreement, usually formal, between two or more persons to do or not do something specified

At its most basic level, a covenant is an oath-bound relationship between two or more parties. Marriage is an example of this relationship. The Creator uses covenants to establish the relationship between Him and His creation.

When the covenant is between Yahweh and mankind, there are conditions attached to that oath on the human side. If the human party involved in a covenant with Yahweh does not keep the covenant's conditions, there are consequences.

There are some covenants that Yahweh makes to strengthen our confidence in His promises. In these cases, Yahweh binds Himself by His own oath to fulfill His promises that He has made.

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### Part 2 – Covenants between Yahweh and Mankind

\*As we go through this part let's pay attention to the differences between promises and covenants\*

Num 25:10-13            covenants are for as long as...

Lev 2:13                Salt connected to covenants

- Num 18:19            ...a covenant of salt forever before Yahweh...

*The Salt Covenant – As used in a wedding ceremony*

*As a symbol of their covenant to each other, the bride and the groom have each brought some salt. Salt has been used in covenants to symbolize forever. Salt has been used in preservation and cannot be destroyed. They bring their salt as a symbol that the covenant that the bride and the groom have just made also will be preserved and cannot be destroyed.*

*In the eyes of Yahweh, every believer, like salt, is priceless in His sight. In ancient times, when two people wanted to enter a covenant of loyalty, they would recite the details of the covenant, exchange salt from one pouch to the other and then shake the pouches. The symbolism is powerful. The only way their contract could possibly be broken is for each to individually retrieve their own grains of salt, which is impossible.*

Mat 5:1-13      Salt connected to the Be-attitudes

- James 4:8-10

Mark 9:43-50      connection between salt, covenant and stumbling

