

Women & More
A 'call' and 'walk' Experience

Faithful Covenant God

Worksheet 8: **October 22, 2015**—*God Is*

God is absolutely, completely and fully faithful in every way, every shape and every form: He is the Covenant—formal binding agreement—planning, producing, processing, and proclaiming Divine: The fully faithful, pact-making and keeping God is ours to claim if we have trusted by faith his Son's atoning gift of redemption for us.

“It is a delightful and profitable occupation
to mark the hand of God in the lives of ancient saints, and
to observe His goodness in delivering them,
His mercy in pardoning them, and
His faithfulness in keeping His covenant with them.
But would it not be even more interesting and profitable for us
to remark the hand of God in our own lives?”

—Charles Spurgeon

Prepare by Soaking in Scripture:

Nehemiah 1:5 (Nehemiah prays to God for Israel)

Psalm 100:5 (LORD = Covenant God)

Psalm 103:17-18 (God cuts Covenant—we keep His Covenant)

Romans 3:3-4 (Our faithlessness does not affect the faithfulness of God!)

Scripture to Memorize:

Hebrews 10:16 “*This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the LORD. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.*”

Prayer Requests and Praises:

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Questions for Mentor-group Discussion:

1. C. I. Scofield tells us about **eight great Covenants** that Scripture outlines “which condition human life and progressively unfold the Divine redemption.” God’s redemption plan began in the first pages of Genesis, and four of the Covenants are there. Circle those.

ADAMIC

ABRAHAMIC

DAVIDIC

EDENIC

MOSAIC

NEW COVENANT

NOAHIC

PALESTINIAN

2. Which of the eight Covenants listed above do we associate with the atoning work of the Lord Jesus Christ?

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3. **Scripture is Strategic!** God’s Word is going somewhere from **Genesis 1:1**’s “*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth,*” to **Revelation 22:21**’s “*The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God’s people. Amen.*” In a few words, describe your understanding of God’s great plan through all of His Covenants—keeping in mind that they are linked.—**John 6:29** (Take a sincere stab at it.)

God is a purposeful, powerful, planning God!

Recommended Reading:

Knowing God, J. I. Packer

Living as the People of God, J. H. Wright

Covenants in the Bible

“A covenant is a sovereign pronouncement of God by which He establishes a relationship of responsibility:

- (1) between Himself and an individual (e.g. Adam in the Edenic Covenant, Genesis 2:16ff),
- (2) between Himself and mankind in general (e.g. in the promise of the Noahic Covenant never again to destroy all flesh with a flood, Genesis 9:9ff),
- (3) between Himself and a nation (e.g. Israel in the Mosaic Covenant, Exodus 19:3ff), or
- (4) between Himself and a specific human family (e.g. the house of David in the promise of a kingly line in perpetuity through the Davidic Covenant, 2 Samuel 7:16ff).

“A covenant of one category may overlap others; for example the Davidic Covenant, where a continuing kingly house is promised with ultimate blessing not only to David but also to the whole world in the reign of Jesus Christ.

“The covenants are normally unconditional in the sense that **God obligates Himself in grace, by the unrestricted declaration ‘I will,’ to accomplish certain announced purposes, despite any failure on the part of the person or people with whom He covenants.** The human response to the divinely announced purpose is always important, leading as it does to blessing for obedience and discipline for disobedience. But human failure is never permitted to abrogate the covenant or block its ultimate fulfillment.

“In the case of the Mosaic Covenant, the fulfillment of all the promises was made conditional upon Israel’s obedience, as implied by the words, ‘*...if you will indeed obey...then...you shall be*’ followed by all the people answered together... ‘*All that the Lord has spoken we will do*’ (Exodus 19:5, 8).

“The three universal and general covenants are: the Adamic, the Noahic, and also the Edenic in that the whole race is represented as present in Adam in his failure. All the other covenants are made with Israel or Israelites and apply primarily to them, although with ultimate blessing to the whole world.

“There are eight major covenants of special significance in explaining the outworking of God’s purposes with man. They are the **Edenic** (Genesis 2:16); the **Adamic** (Genesis 3:15); the **Noahic** (Genesis 9:16); the **Abrahamic** (Genesis 12:2); the **Mosaic** (Exodus 19:5); the **Palestinian** (Deuteronomy 30:3); the **Davidic** (2 Samuel 7:16), and the **New Covenant** (Hebrews 8:8).”

—C. I. Scofield