We continue stedfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word.

Acts 6: 4 ASV

# Covenants A Message for Youth

Week of Sunday 9 April, 2017 A.D. (Anno Domini – In the year of our Lord)

- Israel was chosen by God to be a holy nation.
- Text: Exodus 19: 5-6 ASV
  - 5 If ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: 6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation.
- Text: Exodus 24: 3-8 ASV
  - 3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord, and all the judgments: and

all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the Lord hath said will we do. 4 And Moses wrote all the words of the Lord, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. 5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the Lord. 6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he

sprinkled on the altar. 7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the Lord hath said will we do, and be obedient. 8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the Lord hath made with you concerning all these words.

- The covenant was entirely dependent on Israel keeping the law. If the law was broken the covenant was broken. The relationship between God and the nation was shattered. Entirely dependent on law and obedience to the law. 22 The Lord is our judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our king; he will save US. Isaiah 33: 22
- Man could not keep the law. 8 I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery. Jeremiah 3: 8

 Jesus fulfilled the covenant with Israel. 17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. Matthew 5: 17 A new covenant, not dependent on law, was made; 22 Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body. 23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. 24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Mark 14: 22-24

• Jesus introduced a new relationship betwen God and man. Men are no longer under the law of God. Men are forever within the love of God. 16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3: 16 Law 17 was given by Moses. Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. John 1: 17

GRACE is God's Redemption At Christ's Expense.

• 9 Confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus.
Believe in thine heart God raised Him from the dead. Thou shalt be saved. 10 With the heart man believeth in righteousness. With the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 13
Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Romans 10: 9-10 & 13

 The Bible contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation. Its doctrines are holy. Its precepts are binding. Its histories are true. Read it to be wise. Believe it to be safe. Practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct, comfort, and cheer you.

• Memory Verse: 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10: 10