

### Covenant Process:

Elements in Covenant	God & Abram	Old Covenant	New Covenant
1) Take jacket off. Symbolizes removing shield – taking off what you are – baring the self. In 2 person covenant, both remove self and give self to each other	Shield (God is it). God promises to be shield to Abram (Gen 15:1)		Put off old man; clothe self with Christ Col 3:1-3; Eph 4:22-24 Exchange robes of identity with Christ (Rom 6:3-5; 13:14; Gal 3:27)
2) Take off belt (symbol of strength). All my ability to fight given to you if need exists	Shield	Angel sent to “guard” Israel. Ex 23:20-21 Commander of Lord’s Army. Josh 5:13-15	Weapons are exchanged as pictured by Christians receiving the armor of God (Eph 6:10-17)
3) Sacrifice animal by splitting down the middle. Includes head. Only done in Covenant	Abram halves animal Gen 15:9, 10	Young bulls offered as “peace” offering Ex 24:5	Jesus sacrificed once for all (Heb 10:10-16; Eph 1:7)
4) Both partners stand in 2 walls of blood & walk through in figure 8 symbolizing walk thru death (die to right to life which I give to you). If break covenant, may what happened to the animal happen to me. Demonstrates that what has been divided now is considered as one	God passes thru split animal (Gen 15:17)	Blood spilled/ sprinkled on Mount Sinai in covenant ratification Ex 24:8	Jesus sacrificed own life. We can pass thru Jesus’ flesh to clothe self with Christ (Heb 10:19-20) and crucify our rebellious “self” (Rom 6:6-10)
5) Include name of other person in you name. Have become one person	Abram to Abraham. Sarai to Sarah. Gen 17:5, 15	People of God (Ex 19:5-6). Isra-el/ YHWH (Gen 35:9-12)	Known as “Christian” Acts 11:26
6) Cut mark of covenant and let scar remain as visible proof to remind of responsibility and blessing	Abraham circumcised Gen 17:11	Book of the Law Letters on stone (2 Cor 3:3)	Holy Spirit (internalized) Eph 1:13 (seal) Letter on heart (Heb 8:10,12)
7) Discuss assets explaining what is mine is yours and what is yours is mine. (Known as “friend”)		If obey.... God will offer blessings Ex 23:22	
8) Eat memorial meal (symbol of serving self to each other) – to remember	Descendents of Abram eat of “Passover” – symbol of God’s deliver (Ex chapter 12)	Israel beheld God and ate and drank (Ex 24: 11)	Lord’s supper Luke 22:19, 20; 1 Cor 11: 23-29)
9) Implied in Covenant is fact that all children, whether born or unborn are included and can choose to accept	Everlasting through generations Gen 17:7-9	Is fulfilled in person of Christ thus becomes obsolete (Matt 5:17-18; Gal 3:24)	Eternal (Heb 8:12)