

## GABF Seminar 2024

### Session 2 – New Covenant vs. New Creature

1. An Illustration
  - a. New things in the Bible – like black trucks ...
    - i. Most only see the new covenant, don't miss the **other** new thing - the new creature
2. A Problem
  - a. Most Christians - “old covenant for Israel, new covenant for church”
  - b. Some Christians (dispensationalists) rightly divide Israel and the Church
    - i. Yet, struggle with similarities of God's new thing for Israel and God's new thing for the Church
    - ii. Why? - missing the revelation of the mystery and its distinction from prophecy
  - c. Few Christians see the TWO new things of God, the culminations of his Earthly program with Israel and his Heavenly program with the church the B.O.C. - (**Eph 1:10**)
    - i. the key to seeing the differences clearly = Pauline Mid-Acts Dispensational Right Division
3. A Quote
  - a. William Reed Newell (1868-1956) from Hebrews: Verse by Verse
  - b. Don't be ignorant or a fool (rejecting/dismissing/changing what the Bible clearly teaches)
  - c. Know the differences of the new covenant vs the new creature
4. A Discernment
  - a. The two new things of God in the Bible have similarities
  - b. BUT, stating what is the same about two things does not negate their differences
  - c. It only takes one difference to make two things different from one another
5. A Chart
  - a. Let's consider the two new things of God

Something new (but what)	<u>New Covenant For Israel</u> <b>Heb 8:8</b>	<u>New Creature For All</u> <b>2Cor 5:17</b> (Gal 6:15, Col 3:10-11)
In the Bible (but when)	<u>Prophesied since the world began</u> <b>Acts 3:20-21</b> (Jer 31:31 is directly quoted in Heb 8:8)	<u>Kept Secret since the world began</u> <b>Rom 16:25</b> (Col 1:25-27, Eph 3:8-10)
About Israel (but what about 'em)	<u>Israel's Rise</u> <b>Jer 23:5-8</b> (Isa 61:1-4, Hos 6:1-2)	<u>Israel Stumbled</u> <b>Rom 11:11-12</b> (9:31-33)
Made by God (but what is made)	<u>Priestly Kingdom/Holy Nation</u> <b>1 Peter 2:9-10</b> (Hos 2:23/Rom 9:25)	<u>Christ's Body</u> <b>Eph 2:14-16</b> (5:23)
In Christ (but how)	<u>Branches</u> <b>John 15:4-6</b>	<u>Members</u> <b>Rom 12:4-5</b>
Holy Spirit given (for what)	<u>Uction</u> <b>Eze 36:24-28</b> (1Jn 2:20)	<u>Earnest</u> <b>Eph 1:13-14</b> (2Co 1:21-22, 5:4-5)
God's grace (but what of the law)	<u>Law + Grace</u> <b>Mat 5:17-20</b> (Jas 2:10, Jn 1:17 grace and truth came ..., Heb 4:16)	<u>Grace – Law</u> <b>Rom 3:21</b> (6:14 not under law but under grace)
Requires faith (but what of works)	<u>Faith and Works</u> <b>Jas 2:24</b> (2:14, 17, Mt 23:23 also do weightier matters)	<u>Faith Alone</u> <b>Rom 3:28</b> (4:6, 5:1, Gal 2:16 justified without works)
A destination (but where)	<u>Earth/Land</u> <b>Eze 11:17-20</b> the land of Israel	<u>Heaven</u> <b>Eph 2:5-6</b> (1Co 15:42-44, 50-54, 2Co 5:1-2, Rom 8:23 redemption of our body)
Resurrection (but where)	<u>Resurrection on Earth</u> <b>Eze 37:11-14</b> dem dry bones	<u>Resurrection in Heaven</u> <b>1Th 4:15-17</b> the Lord in the air
Salvation (but when)	<u>Future</u> <b>Mat 24:13</b> the end (Acts 3:19, 15:10-11)	<u>Now</u> <b>1Co 1:18</b> (Col 2:13 forgiven all trespasses)
Christ's Cross (but how preached)	<u>Cross Shame</u> <b>Acts 2:22-24</b> (3:13-15)	<u>Cross Glory</u> <b>Gal 6:14</b>

6. A Final Thought
  - a. Being Pauline will help you discern the differences
  - b. Rejecting Paul's distinct ministry will leave you confused - unable to distinguish prophesy from mystery, Israel from the church, and the new covenant from the new creature, etc.