

Live in the New Covenant Reality

When we come out of the church system into the freedom of Kingdom life, we must realise that we need a number of things to happen to us before we are in a suitable state to be effective in the Kingdom:

1. Detoxify from the religious system
2. Allow all religiousness to be removed
3. Allow all legalism to be removed
4. Be reprogrammed in Kingdom knowledge, ways and thinking

These changes are part of a process which includes stages of spiritual growth and development. (See “The Supa Mareo Process of Spiritual Development”¹) Welton Academy has produced a similar document² on these stages of development, but they are slightly different in perspective.

The most critical change that needs to take place once a person has progressed to the Kingdom stage, is living in the reality of the New Covenant. (See the series “Coming out of the Old Covenant”³)

Current evangelical, pentecostal and charismatic theology prevents believers from living in this reality, so it's important that an understanding is gained that we are in the New Covenant. The big 'wall' that stops people believing the New Covenant present in its completeness is Futurist eschatology. Because of a misunderstanding of Matthew 24, where the future scenario sees it as the events leading up to the return of the King, most fail to comprehend the covenant changeover and why it happened. (See “Is Matthew 24 About End Times”⁴ and “Kingdom Benefits from the Preterist Position”⁵)

Jonathan Welton makes some important points in the Academy's blog article.

1. *“One of the common mistakes is how people start to believe everything in the Bible is applicable to everyone. That is not true, because some of what is in the Bible is under the old covenant, under which no one currently lives. We can read and learn from these passages, but they are not applicable to us in the way they were to their original audience.”*
2. *“[W]e look at the old Mosaic covenant and live in fear of that covenant even though we are not under that covenant. The important fact people miss is that the old covenant was always a temporary covenant, and God promised from the very beginning to replace it with the circumcision of the heart, which is the new covenant.”⁶*
3. *“What people miss if they do not live in the new covenant realm is knowing the heart of the Father toward them. One of the most obvious evidences is the way people who live in any of the previous three realms tend to respond to tragedy or natural disaster. When a terrible event happens, these people do not know whether it was caused by God, the devil, or human sin. They ask, “Was it judgment, wrath, or something else?” The reason they do not understand this is because they do not understand that God acts in accordance with the covenant He is in. Because they do not understand the progression of the covenants, they do not know how to differentiate between the way God acted within the old covenant versus the new.”*
4. *“God always acts in accordance with the covenant He is in, we can know what He will do. And we can also know what He will not do! That is our new covenant relationship with God. If we know we have this type of relationship with Him, then we will know our hearts, and we will know His heart. Then, when something tragic happens, we can know His heart and position on the event, because we are connected with His heart. All of those questions are answered by*

1 – canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/The-Supa-Mareo-Process-of-Spiritual-Development.png

2 – Jonathan Welton (29-6-2017) “THE MYSTERY OF THE FIVE REALMS” Blog item
(weltonacademy.com/blogs/jonathanwelton/the-mystery-of-the-five-realms)

3 – canberraforerunners.org/?page_id=4888#Old-Covenant

4 – canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Is-Matthew-24-About-End-Times.pdf

5 – canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Kingdom-Benefits-from-the-Preterist-Position.pdf

6 – Deuteronomy 29:12-30:6

understanding the covenant we are in. Those that live in the New Covenant Realm have a deep understanding of the Father's heart and have answered these questions."

New Covenant thinking will deal with issues such as: Fear, end-time paranoia, legalism, gender inequality, racism, and many more.

One of the main points made is:

So many Christians are trying to advance the Kingdom, but they don't even know the heart of the King toward them.

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