

# THE RENEWED COVENANT

The Covenant of Friendship with Elohim

## BLOOD COVENANT OFFERED THROUGH YESHUA

The Renewed Covenant of Friendship with Elohim (God) is one that is confirmed through the sacrifice of the blood covenant in Yeshua, who gave His life for all who would receive. By taking this covenant, one is under a special status with Yehovah and receives favor and blessings.

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## The Renewed Covenant of Friendship with Elohim

H. Clay Trumbull, a world-renown author and expert on blood covenants, in his book entitled: *The Blood Covenant*, provided key facts regarding blood covenants, as well as significant details for the renewed covenant believer in Yeshua. Trumbull also affirms that blood covenants made between parties are at times confirmed by the next generation. And it is through this concept, many scholars agree that the covenants of the Tanakh (Old Testament) are confirmed with each of the following generations, such as in the covenant in Exodus 19-24 that was given at Mount Sinai to the children of Israel. For it is through the covenant at Mount Sinai that the children of Israel are offered to be a kingdom of priests and holy nation set apart for Elohim.

Additionally, the promised renewed covenant described in Jeremiah 31:31-32 is a renewing of the blood covenant of Yehovah offered to His people at Mount Sinai, to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation, but with the essential difference that the Torah is written upon the hearts and inwards parts of the people of the covenant. And it is for this reason, Yeshua has become the redeemer (i.e. *goel*, ), who came to exchange His life for humanity, that eternal life and are one with Elohim (God) and established the covenant and became the renewed covenant promise by giving of his own life for the life of humanity.

Yeshua the Redeemer (i.e. *goel*, מוֹאל ) is the meal offering of the covenant between man and the Divine, and by partaking of Yeshua's cup of redemption, man partakes of the human-divine blood-covenant of friendship and becomes a friend of Elohim (God)!

## Abrahamic Covenant - A Covenant of Friendship with Elohim

In James 2:23, it says that Abraham became a friend of Elohim. And through Abraham, a plan of redemption was promised through his seed: one seed – the seed of Yeshua the Messiah. For it is through Yeshua's life that the plan of redemption would be fulfilled. And Yeshua was in the direct lineage of Abraham's generation and was chosen to stand in the gap to offer his own life on behalf of others. And through this action of giving of one life for another, Yeshua became the *goel* (מוֹאַל), the Redeemer of the world. And by partaking of the Redeemer's blood, the covenant becomes complete, and the individual becomes one with Elohim (Jn 17:21) and in addition, becomes a friend of Elohim through the keeping of the commands of Yehovah.

"And the Lord made a new beginning for the race in his start with Abraham as the father of a chosen and peculiar people in the world. And again the covenant of blood, or the covenant of strong-friendship as, it is still called in the East, was the prominent feature in the beginning. The Apostle James says that 'Abraham was called the friend of God.<sup>2</sup>" (emphasis added)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Trumbull, H. Clay. The Blood Covenant. Impact Christian Books, Inc. Kirkwood, MO, 2009, pp. 268.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> IBID, pp. 216.

"And I give My covenant between Me and you and shall greatly increase you. And I shall establish My covenant between Me and you and your seed after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be Elohim to you and your seed after you. 'This is My covenant which you guard between Me and you, and your seed after you: Every male child among you is to be circumcised." (Gn 17:2, 7, 10)

"The Blood covenant of friendship shall be consummated by your giving to me of your personal blood at the very source of paternity – 'under your girdle'; thereby pledging yourself to me, and pledging, also to me, those who shall come after you in the line of natural descent."

"And my covenant [this covenant of blood-friendship] shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant." (emphasis added)

"And Yehovah your Elohim shall circumcise your heart and the heart of your seed, to love Yehovah your Elohim with all your heart and with all your being, so that you might live." Dt 30:6

"And when it has come to pass, the true seed of Abraham, circumcised in heart, shall be in the covenant of blood-friendship with God." (emphasis added)

A circumcised heart is the covenanted heart that Yehovah searches to find in humanity. And by partaking of the blood covenant with the cup of the blood covenant of Yeshua, and keeping the commands of Yehovah, the heart is fully circumcised and is a sign of the covenant promise between humanity and Yehovah.

#### The Goel: Avenger/Revenger of God

It is essential to recognize that humanity requires a redeemer, not a savior. For through the Redeemer's sacrifice of his life for the life of others that the redemption plan is completed. And the Redeemer has been authorized to give his own life for the life of another and replace the blood of humanity with his own sin-free blood. Then by accepting and partaking of the blood covenant, the individual is no longer guilty but is called "innocent" and "clean" and becomes one with Elohim (Jn 17:21, Ep 1:7, Hb 9:15-22).

"Another gleam of the primitive truth, the blood is life and not death, and that the transference of blood is the transference of life, is found in the various Mosaic references to the *goel* (الأنجة), **the person who is authorized to obtain blood for blood** as an act of justice, in the East." (emphasis added)

The goel "...was not an avenger, but a redeemer, a restorer, a balancer." (emphasis added)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> IBID, pp. 216.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> IBID. pp. 216. Genesis 17:13.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> IBID pp. 257.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Trumbull, H. Clay. The Blood Covenant. Impact Christian Books, Inc. Kirkwood, MO, 2009, pp. 259.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> IBID. pp. 260.

Thus, the Redeemer has come with the authority to forgive sins, by offering of his own blood for the blood of humanity. He came to restore blood for blood and life for life.

#### Abraham's Seed: A Friend of God

To be called part of the Redeemed of Elohim, one must partake of the covenant meal of the Redeemer by drinking of the Redeemer's blood and eating of his body; for it is through this act, the individual becomes Yeshua's own, just as Yeshua also has become Yeshovah's own. Thus, the three: the redeemed individual, Yeshua, and Yeshovah become one (1 Co 3:23). And Yeshua reminds his followers that his blood is truly drink, and his flesh (Jn 6:55).

"The symbolic covenant of blood-friendship was between God and Abraham's seed; and in that seed were all the nations of the earth to have a blessing. God was now to give of his blood, in the blood of his Son, for the re-vivifying of the sons of Abraham in 'the blood of the eternal covenant." (emphasis added)

Thus, Elohim gave of Himself to those of humanity who would partake in this blood covenant; He gave life where death ensued and offered a connection, or a oneness with Himself. This relationship between humanity and the Deity is one of love and friendship.

"In the outreaching of men Godward, for the privileges of a divine-human inter-union, they poured out the substitute blood of a chosen victim in sacrifice, and they partook of the flesh of that sacrificial victim, in symbolism of sharing the life and the nourishment of Deity. This symbolism was made a reality in Jesus Christ. He was the Seed of Abraham; the fulfillment of the promise, 'In Isaac shall thy Seed be called.' He was the true Paschal Lamb; the Lamb without blemish and without spot, 'the Lamb that hath been slain from the foundation of the world.' The blood which he yielded, was Life itself. The body which he laid on the altar was the Peace Offering of Completion.'" (emphasis added)

"Yeshua therefore said to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Adam and drink His blood, you possess no life in yourselves. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood possesses everlasting life, and I shall raise him up in the last day. For My flesh is **truly food, and My blood is truly drink**. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood stays in Me, and I in him. As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me shall live because of Me. This is the bread which came down out of the heaven, not as your fathers ate the manna and died. He who eats this bread shall live forever." Jn 6:53-58 (emphasis added)

"By his circumcision, Jesus brought his humanity into the blood-covenant which was between God and the seed of God's friend, Abraham, of whose nature, according to the flesh, Jesus had become a partaker<sup>12</sup>; Jesus thereby pledged his own blood in fidelity to that covenant;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> IBID pp. 272.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> IBID pp. 273.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Revelation 13:8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Trumbull, H. Clay. The Blood Covenant. Impact Christian Books, Inc. Kirkwood, MO, 2009, pp. 275.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Galatians 3:6-9, 16, 29.

so that all who should thereafter become his by their faith, might, through him, be heirs of faithful Abraham."<sup>13</sup>

For these reasons, Yeshua says, "No one comes to the Father except through me," (Jn 14:6). Sin cannot stand before Yehovah, for He is a holy Elohim (1 Sm 2:2).

#### Passover Feast of Yeshua

Yeshua demonstrated to his disciples how to partake of him in the blood covenant of redemption symbolized through his last meal before the Passover sacrifice was offered. And by partaking in the blood covenant of Yeshua's blood and body, there is remission of sins, and the individual becomes not only a redeemed child of Elohim, but a friend of Elohim.

"As they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it; and he gave to the disciples, and said, 'Take, eat; this is my body. 14 'This do in remembrance of me. And the cup in like manner after supper; 15 'and when he had given thanks, he gave [it] to them, 16 'saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the covenant, 17 or, as another Evangelist records, 'this cup is the new covenant in my blood. 18 'which is shed for many unto remission of sins' [unto the putting away of sins]. 'This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. 19 'And they all drank of it."

"Then it was, while they were together in that upper room, for the consummating of that blood-covenant of friendship, that Jesus said to his disciples: 'Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.' No longer do I call you servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends [friends in the covenant of blood-friendship now]; for all things that I heard from my Father, I have made known unto you." 22

"Then it was, also, that the prayer of Jesus for his new blood-covenant friends went up: 'Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that the Son may glorify thee: even as thou gavest him authority over all flesh, that whatsoever [whomsoever] thou hast given him, to them he should give eternal life [in an eternal covenant of blood]."<sup>23</sup>

"It was not an utterly new symbolism that Jesus was introducing into the religious thought of the world: it was rather a new meaning that he was introducing into, or that he was disclosing in, an already widely recognized symbolism."<sup>24</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> IBID. pp. 278.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Matthew 26:26.

<sup>15</sup> Luke 22:19, 20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Mark 14:23.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Matthew 26:27,28.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Luke 22:20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> 1 Corinthians 11:25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Mark 14:23.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Trumbull, H. Clay, The Blood Covenant, Impact Christian Books, Inc. Kirkwood, MO, 2009, pp. 282.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> IBID, pp. 282-283.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> IBID, pp. 283.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> IBID, pp. 284

"But a covenant of blood, a covenant to give one's blood, one's life, for the saving of another, cannot be consummated without the death of the covenanter."<sup>25</sup>

"It is the same in the New Covenant as it was in the Old. Atonement, salvation, rescue, redemption, is by the blood, the life, of Christ; not by his death as such; not by his broken body in itself; but by that blood which was given at the inevitable cost of his broken body and of his death." "The only hope of a cure was by purging out the old blood, by means of an inflowing current of new blood- which was new life." <sup>26</sup>

"So it is that 'we have redemption [rescue from death] through [by means of] his blood; <sup>27</sup> and that 'the blood of Jesus...cleanseth us [by its purging inflow] from all sin. <sup>28</sup> 'So that it is that he 'loosed us [freed us] from our sins by his [cleansing, his re-vivifying] blood." (emphasis added)

"All who will, may, now, 'be partakers of the divine nature,'30 through becoming one with Christ, by sharing his blood, and by being nourished with his body. Entering into the divine-human covenant of blood-friendship, which Christ' death has made possible.'31 (emphasis added)

Therefore, by partaking of the blood covenant meal of Yeshua's flesh and blood, the individuals become partakers of the promises of the blood-friendship. Additionally, new life is restored, and all sins are cleansed. Thus, the redeemed child of Elohim is able to stand before the holy Elohim without a spot or blemish (Ep 5:27).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> IBID, pp. 284.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> IBID, pp. 287. See pages 116-125.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Ephesians 1:7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> 1 John 1:7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Revelation 1:5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> 2 Peter 1:4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Trumbull, H. Clay. The Blood Covenant. Impact Christian Books, Inc. Kirkwood, MO, 2009, pp. 289.

### The Covenant of Mount Sinai

The covenant of Mount Sinai is a covenant of commitment and love – a marriage covenant; for Yehovah's commands are eternal, and by obeying Yehovah's commands, we are loving Yehovah and Yeshua in the love language of the marriage covenant. For Yeshua reminds all that those who love him, are those who keep his commands.

"If you love Me, you shall guard My commands. And I shall ask the Father, and He shall give you another Helper, to stay with you forever – the Spirit of the Truth, whom the world is unable to receive, because it does not see Him or know Him. But you know Him, for He stays with you and shall be in you." In 14:15-17

"In that day you shall know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. He who possesses **My commands and guards them, it is he who loves Me**. And he who loves Me shall be loved by My Father, and I shall love him and manifest Myself to him." Jn 14:20-21 (emphasis added)

"By this we know that we love the children of Elohim, when we love Elohim and guard His commands." 1 Jn 5:2

"...but showing loving-commitment to thousands, to those who love Me and **guard My commands**." Ex 20:6

"And I shall give you a **new heart and put a new spirit within you**. And I shall take the heart of stone out of your flesh, and I shall give you a heart of flesh, and put My Spirit within you. **And I shall cause you to walk in My laws and guard My right-rulings and shall do them**." Ez 36:26-27 (emphasis added)

#### **New or Renewed Covenant?**

"See, the days are coming," declares יהוה, "when I shall make a **renewed covenant** with the house of Yisra'ĕl and with the house of Yehudah, not like the covenant I made with their fathers in the day when I strengthened their hand to bring them out of the land of Mitsrayim, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them," declares יהוה. For this is the covenant I shall make with the house of Yisra'ĕl after those days, declares יהוה: I shall put My Torah in their inward parts, and write it on their hearts. And I shall be their Elohim, and they shall be My people. And no longer shall they teach, each one his neighbour, and each one his brother, saying, 'Know יהוה,' for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them," declares יהוה 'For I shall forgive their crookedness, and remember their sin no more." Jr 31:31-34 Also see Hb 8:6-11; 12:24 TS2009 (emphasis added)

"And because of this He is the Mediator of a **renewed covenant**, so that, death having taken place for redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called might receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance." Hb 9:15 TS2009 (emphasis added)

#### "Renewed" According to The Scriptures 2009

The covenant of Jeremiah 31 offered to the lost is not a "new" covenant, but a "renewed" covenant.

"Renewed: **Two Greek words**, *neos* and *kain-os*, have been rendered as 'new' in almost all translations. The latter's meaning differs from the former, and is derived from the verb *kainoo*, which means 'to make new.' **The Hebrew equivalent of this verb is** *hadash*, **which means 'to renew**.' For this reason we have rendered *kainos* as 'fresh' or as 'renewed.'"<sup>32</sup> (emphasis added)

When we confirm the covenant of Mount Sinai and proclaim three times, "All that Yehovah has said, we shall do." Then when we take the covenant meal in remembrance of Yeshua, our redeemer, the human-divine covenant of the blood-friendship with Elohim is established between us and Elohim.

Additionally, in the covenant of Mount Sinai, humanity is granted great promises from Yehovah, such as: (1) being part of a special people set apart unto Yehovah above all peoples (Ex 3:10-15). (2) You will be part of the kingdom of priests and a holy nation unto Yehovah (Ex 3:10-15). (3) An angel is sent before you, who will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries (Ex 23:20-22). (4) Yehovah shall bless your bread and your water. (4) He will take sickness from your midst (Ex 23:25-28). (5) You shall not suffer miscarriage or be barren in your land (Ex 23:25-28). Your days will be fulfilled (Ex 23:25-28).

For in this renewed covenant, the Torah will e written upon your hearts and inward parts, and you will be caused to walk in His ways and will know Yehovah.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Institute for Scripture Research. The Scriptures. South Africa, 2009, pp. 1227.

## Never Hunger, Never Thirst

Yeshua proclaimed to his disciples, and to the peoples that those who partake of his flesh and blood would never hunger or thirst. But this proclamation became a repulsive thing to those around him. Yet, little did they realize, Yeshua was speaking covenant language for those who had eyes to see and ears to hear.

"And many people followed him when they saw the signs he did with the sick". Cochin Jn 6:2

"Yeshua answered and said them, 'Truth I say to you that what you request of me is not because you saw signs of power, but because you ate bread to fullness." Cochin Jn 6:26

"Yeshua said to them, 'I am He, the bread of life; whoever that comes near to me, is not hungry and whoever that trusts in me, is not thirsting - forever."" Cochin Jn 6:35

"This is the bread that descended from the heavens so that he will eat from it and not die. I am He, the bread of life that descended from the heavens. So, if a person eats of this bread, it will produce. And this bread that I give is my body, for I give eternal life." Cochin Jn 6:50-51

"Indeed, my body is truly food, and my blood is truly drink." Cochin Jn 6:55

Therefore, by joining with Yeshua in the covenant promise by partaking of his flesh and blood of the blood-covenant meal, in addition to trusting in him, the promise is that you will never hunger nor never thirst.

#### The Joined of Yehovah at the Golden Calf Altar

The children of Israel had sinned in the sight of Yehovah. They created a golden calf altar and worshipped it proclaiming that it was that idol that saved them from Egypt (Ex 32). But there were those who did not defile themselves by worshipping the golden calf, they were those who were joined to Yehovah had proclaimed that they would obey Yehovah's every command.

"Moses stood in the entrance of the camp, and said, 'Who is for Yehovah? Come to me.'

"And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves to him. And he said to them, Thus said Yehovah Elohim of Israel: 'Each one put his sword on his side, pass over to and fro, from gate to gate in the camp, and kill man, his brother, and man, his companion, and man, his neighbor. And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. And there fell of the people that day, about three thousand of man." Ex 32:26-28

#### **Ouestions:**

Only the "sons of Levi" did according to what Moses commanded, and 11 tribes died at that time? No. A total of three thousand people died that day. So, what does "sons of Levi" mean?

"Moses stood in the entrance of the camp, and said, 'Who is for Yehovah? Come to me.' And all the children of the joined (בְּנֵי לֵּוִי) benai levi, root: לָנָה - lava, 'the joined') gathered themselves to him." Ex 32:26 (emphasis in comments added)

Levi - the root is: לָּהְ - lava, meaning, "joined." (men, women, and children)

**Answer:** The people who came to Moses were the "joined of Yehovah!"

Therefore, those who came to the side of Moses and Yehovah, were those who were joined of Yehovah in the covenant promise. The joined of Yehovah were those who were spared: the men, women, and children of the "joined."

#### The Joined Described in Isaiah

Again, in Isaiah, there are people who joined Yehovah in the covenant promise. For these are theforeigner who joined, and kept the commands of the Torah, guarded the Sabbath as a sign between them and Yehovah (Ex 20:12).

Thus says Yehovah, "Guard right-ruling, and do righteousness, for near is My salvation to come, and My righteousness to be revealed. Blessed is the man who does this, and the son of man who becomes strong in it, guarding/keeping the Sabbath lest he profane it, and guarding his hand from doing any evil. And let not the son of the foreigner who has joined (לֵנָה – root: לָנָה – root: לָנָה) himself to Yehovah speak, saying, 'Yehovah has certainly separated me from His people,' nor let the eunuch say, 'Look I am a dry tree. For thus said Yehovah, "to the eunuchs who guard My Sabbaths, and have chosen what pleases Me, and are holding onto My covenant: to them I shall give in My house and within My walls a place and a name better than that of sons and daughters - I give them an everlasting name that is not cut off. Also, the children of the foreigner who join (לְנָה – root: קּנְּלְנִים) themselves to Yehovah, to serve Him, and to love the Name of Yehovah, to be His servants, all who guard the Sabbath, and not profane it, and are holding onto My covenant - them I shall bring to My set-apart mountain and let them rejoice in My house of prayer. Their ascending offerings and their slaughterings are accepted on My slaughter-place, for My house is called a house of prayer for all the peoples. The Master Yehovah will gather the outcasts of Israel, declares, 'I will gather still others to him besides those who are gathered to him." Isaiah 56:1-8 (emphasis and comments added)

As described in Isaiah 56:8, there are a joined people in the covenant of promise, and there will be others who will also be gathered to him, Yeshua, that will partake of the blood covenant of friendship with Elohim and be one with Elohim.

#### **Final Comments**

Partaking of the blood covenant is not to be taken lightly. Partaking of the blood covenant with Elohim requires an act of obedience with a covenanted, circumcised heart. By agreeing to

the blood covenant requirements, one must be completely dedicated to Elohim and be quick to keep that vow to Yehovah, or devastation will ensue.

"And Moses spoke to the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying, "This is the word which Yehovah has commanded: When a man vows a vow to Yehovah, or swears an oath to bind a bond not To, he does not break his word, he does according to all that comes out of his mouth." Nm 30:2

"Asar is a common Hebrew word signifying 'to bind together' - as in a mutual covenant. Issar, again is a vow of self-renunciation..."to bind a self-devoting vow upon one's life" - upon one's blood; "for the blood is the life." (Dt 12:23).<sup>33</sup>

"And an evidence of man's trust in the accomplished fact of his inter-union with God, or with the gods, by his sharing, in food partaking, of the body of the sacrificial offering, whose blood is the means to the divine-human inter-union."<sup>34</sup>

Thus, when one partakes of the blood covenant meal in remembrance of Yeshua, they accomplish an inter-union with Elohim, and they become one with Elohim. For it will be those who will be brought to Elohim's Mountain and allowed in the set-apart place to worship Him.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Trumbull, H. Clay. The Blood Covenant. Impact Christian Books, Inc. Kirkwood, MO, 2009, pp. 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> IBID, pp. 148.

#### Yeshua said to "join" to Him and You will Never Hunger, Never Thirst

Again, Yeshua gave another promise to those who "joined" him in the blood covenant, that they will never hunger or never thirst. This becomes a meaningful promise for humanity at the end of days when food becomes scarce. For Yeshua has come as the manna from heaven (Jn 6:35) and it is through the partaking of the true manna from heaven that one is promised to never hunger or never thirst.

"Yeshua said to them, 'I am He, the bread of life; whoever that comes joining/draw near (אצל) etzel, to join, draw near) to me, is not hungry and whoever that trusts in me, is not thirsting - forever." Cochin Jn 6:35 (emphasis added)

"This is the bread that descended from the heavens so that he will eat from it and not die. I am He, the bread of life that descended from the heavens. So, if a person eats of this bread, it will produce. And this bread that I give is my body, for I give eternal life." Cochin Jn 6:50-51

"Indeed, my body is truly food, and my blood is truly drink." Cochin Jn 6:55 (emphasis added)

אצל prob. i.q. פֿבעל to join (cf. on the א WSG71).

#### **Comments:**

- 1. Yehovah will gather the people to "Him" (Yeshua). (Is 56:8)
- 2. Yeshua is the hidden manna (Rv 2:17)
- 3. Those joined to Yehovah will never hunger and belong to Yeshua. Those who trust in Him, will never thirst (Jn 6:35-55)

By joining in a covenant with Yehovah, you now belong to Yeshua; *and you will never hunger, nor shall you thirst*.

"You belong to Messiah and Messiah belongs to Elohim." 1 Co 3:23

## The Covenant at Mount Sinai Testimony

In March 2023, a group of 34 expeditioners traveled to Saudi Arabia to explore the inscriptions at Mount Sinai to discover and study the evidence of the exodus. And on the last day of their expedition, they hiked to the altar that Moses built at Mount Sinai to covenant with Yehovah just as the children of Israel did 3,500 years ago; but with one significant difference—the covenant meal will be in the memory of Yeshua according to 1 Corinthians 11:24.

The expeditioners brought with them juice and crackers representing the covenant meal along with a handwritten Ketubah for each member of the party to sign and witness their covenant agreement with Yehovah.

#### **The Original Covenant**

About 3,500 years ago, the children of Israel were offered a covenant by Yehovah, but they refused to hear and obey His Voice according to Deuteronomy 5:22-29. Then the covenant was confirmed in blood according to Exodus 24:3-8. Later, the children of Israel broke the covenant earning the death penalty (Ex 32:1-8). However, Yehovah instituted a substitution for their death – the sacrifice of animals to pay the sin offering (Lv 17:11; Hb 9:7). And when Yeshua came, He paid the price with His own blood for the sins of not only Israel, but also the world. (Is 53:5; 12-15).

#### Ketubah

Centuries later, Rabbis began writing marriage covenants, called a Ketubah, detailing the responsibilities of the husband, to protect the bride. It was this concept that was instituted at Mount Sinai as a memorial for all the expeditioners to remember the holy covenant they made with Yehovah.

#### **The Unexpected Event**

On the final day of their expedition, the third day of the week (i.e. Tuesday), fifteen people hiked to the altar that Moses built at Mount Sinai. Two of the individuals were photographers and one man officiated the covenant. The remaining individuals were twelve witnesses at the altar of Moses. The significance of the twelve witnesses was astounding as this was not planned by any man.

After the covenant and the covenant meal in remembrance of Yeshua, a cloud began to form and surround the blacked peak of Mount Sinai and a great storm emerged. Shortly later, it began to hail. There was so much hail, some say it appeared as manna on the ground. But the rain continued throughout the day. Then later that evening, snow fell upon Mount Sinai!

My husband, David remembered the verse about the covenant of Mount Sinai in Exodus 19 that says:

"Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain... Now Mount Sinai [was] completely in smoke, because Yehovah descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace..." Ex 19:1-9, 16, 18

We prayed and asked for a sign that Yehovah would hear our covenant promise. And Yehovah gave a miraculous sign that He indeed heard us! Therefore, we want to pass along this Mount Sinai miracle blessing to you, the servants of Yehovah.

## Instructions on the Covenant of Mount Sinai

If you are interested in covenanting with Yehovah, I encourage you to do the following:

- Prepare your heart. Cleanse yourself by confessing your disobedience (sins) and asking forgiveness in the name of Yeshua.
- Repent determine in your heart and mind that you will do all that He asks you to do, including making things right with those you may have harmed in the past.
- Read aloud either alone or with others the words of this covenant below.
- Confirm your commitment by partaking of the bread and the wine (grape juice, if preferred) in remembrance of Yeshua and the sacrifice He gave us with His own blood.

By following these steps to covenant yourself with Yehovah, you too can share in the miraculous events of Mount Sinai.

Shalom,

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## Ketubah of The Covenant at Mount Sinai

A Ketubah Covenant (written marriage covenant) on this _	day of	in the year
, Yehovah and	has entered into	a covenant as
one with Yehovah and His Son, Yeshua the Messiah (Jn 17	:21) and now I am part of	of the children
of Israel and agree to the following words:		

#### READ THE FOLLOWING VERSES OUT LOUD:

The Torah describes Yehovah's marriage covenant to His bride Israel: Elohim (God) said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'Yehovah, Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations." (Ex 3:10-15)

"And Moses went up to Elohim, and Yehovah called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you shall speak to the children of Israel." So Moses came and called for the, elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which Yehovah commanded him. Then all the people answered together and said,

#### "All that Yehovah has spoken we will do!" (Ex 19:8)

"So Moses brought back the words of the people to Yehovah." (Ex 19:3-8)

"Behold, I send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. Beware of Him and obey His voice; do not provoke Him, for He will not pardon your transgressions; for My name is in Him. But if you indeed obey His voice and do all that I speak, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries." (Ex 23:20-22)

"So you shall serve Yehovah your Elohim, and He will bless your bread and your water. And I will take sickness away from the midst of you. No one shall suffer miscarriage or be barren in your land; I will fulfill the number of your days. "I will send My fear before you, cause confusion among all the people to whom you come, and will make all your enemies turn their backs to you." (Ex 23:25-28)

"Moses came and told the people all the words of Yehovah and all the judgments. And all the people answered with one voice and said,

#### 'All the words which Yehovah has said we will do.' (Ex 24:3)

"And Moses wrote all the words of Yehovah. And he rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars according to the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he sent young men of the children of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to Yehovah. And Moses took half the blood and put it in basins, and half the blood he sprinkled on the altar. (Ex 24:4-8)

"Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said,

#### 'All that Yehovah has said we will do, and be obedient!' (Ex 24:7)

"Moses took the blood, sprinkled it on the people, and said, "This is the blood of the covenant which Yehovah has made with you according to all these words." (Ex 24:3-8)

"Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled." (Exodus 19:16) "That you should enter into covenant with Yehovah your Elohim, and into his oath, which Yehovah your Elohim makes with you this day... Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath: But with him that stands here this day before Yehovah our Elohim and also with him that is not here with us this day." (Dt 29:12,14,15)

Today I made a vow to Yehovah according to His blood covenant described in Exodus 19 – 24. I am sealed in the blood of Yeshua, my redeemer and I am one with Yehovah and His begotten Son, Yeshua (Jn 17:21).

I agree to the terms of this covenant:

# "All that Yehovah has spoken, I shall do and obey! I shall serve Yehovah and keep His covenant."

In return for our obedience, Yehovah has agreed to do the following:

- 1. I am part of a special people set apart unto Yehovah above all peoples. (Ex 3:10-15)
- 2. I am part of the kingdom of priests and a holy nation unto Yehovah. (Ex 3:10-15)
- 3. An angel is sent before us who will be an enemy to our enemies and an adversary to our adversaries. (Ex 23:20-22)
- 4. Yehovah shall bless our bread and our water. He will take sickness from our midst. (Ex 23:25-28)
- 5. We shall not suffer miscarriage or be barren in our land. (Ex 23:25-28)
- 6. Our days will be fulfilled. (Ex 23:25-28)
- 7. Yehovah will send fear before us among our enemies and cause confusion among the people whom we encounter. He will drive out our enemies. In addition, all the blessings of Deuteronomy chapter 28:1-14,

"If you shall hearken diligently unto the voice of Yehovah your Elohim, to observe and do all his commandments which I command you this day, then Yehovah your Elohim will set you on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on you, and overtake you, if you shall hearken unto the voice of Yehovah your Elohim."

Signature	Date
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