

Covenants	Redemptive Covenants	Abrahamic	Mosaic / Old (Heb 8, 2Cor 3)	New
	Representative	Abraham	Moses	Christ
	Main Theme / Emphasis	Promise	Law (John 1:17, Heb 10:28)	Fulfillment (Matt 5:17, Ac 13:22)
	Key Texts	Gen 12:1-3,7; Gen 15; Gen 17, Gal 3, Acts 7:8, Ex 4:24-26	Ex 20,34, De 4,5,9, Jer 31	Jer 31, 2Cor 3, Gal 3,4, Heb 7-9, 1Pet 2, Lu 22.
	Statement of Covenant i.e. What was the Covenant?	Give land & make a great Nation Gen 12:1-3, 7.	The Ten Commandments / Book of the Law. (Ex 34:1, 27,28; De 4:13, 9:9-11)	The bond between God & the eternally redeemed, established at, and by, the death of Christ, under which all who have been effectually called to God in all ages have been formed into a spiritual nation, given the promise of the eternal Jerusalem on high, & come under His authority forever. 1Pet2, Heb8.
	Covenant Members i.e. God and . . .	"Abraham and his Seed". Gen 12:7, Gal 3:16.	National Israel (De 5:2-3; Jer 31:31-32, 1Ki8:9) i.e. Abr Physical Seed (Lu 1:54, Jn 8:33,37, Acts 3:25, 7:6, Rom 4:16, 11:1, 1Cor 11:22). Not made with anyone prior to Moses (De 5:3).	Believers - those who know the Lord and whose sins are forgiven (Jer31:31-33). i.e. Abraham's Spiritual Seed (Rom 9:8, Gal 3:16, 19, Heb 2:16).
	Covenant Law / Commandments	All Males to be circumcised. Gen 17:9-13. Cut off the uncircumcised male (vs 14)	1. 10 Commandments (Tablets of the Covenant Duet 9:9-11.) 2. Book of the Law (Book of the Law/Covenant Ex24:7, Duet 28:58-61, Duet 29:21, Gal 3:10) ie by-laws.	"Under law towards Christ" (Rom 7:1-4, 1Cor 9:21, Gal 3:24,25, 6:2).
	Covenant Promises	Give land & make a great Nation Gen 12:1-3, 7.	Physical Land & Nation. Other physical blessings for obedience. "If . . . Then." (Ex 19:4-6, De 27&28). Curses for disobedience (De 29:21)	Spiritual Land (new Jerusalem) & Nation (1Pet 2:9, Gal 4:26). Eternal Life. Forgiveness of Sins (Jer 31:31ff). "But you are . . ."1Pet 2:9
	Historical Beginning / Inauguration	430 years prior to the giving of the Mosaic Covenant. Gal 3:17	After the Exodus (Jer 31:32; Du 5:2,3; 1Ki8:9). 430 yrs after Ab Cov(Gal 3:17, 4:24, Heb 8:7-13). Place=Sinai in Horeb (Du 5:3, 1Ki8:9).	At Christ's death on the cross. Heb 8:6,7, 2Cor3:6-8, Jer31:31(future), Matt 27:50,51.
Historical Fulfillment / Completion	At the death of Christ we inherited all the eternal promises. (Gal 13:19, 29, Heb 9:15)	At the death of Christ on the Cross the Cov was fulfilled & abrogated (Matt 27:50,51, Acts 15:24, Rom 14:1, Gal 3: 19-25, 4:22-25, 30, Heb 7:11,12,18,19, 2Cor 3:7-9; 4:9-11,21-26, Eph 2:15)	Eternal Covenant.	
Covenant Signs	Redemptive Covenants	Abrahamic	Mosaic / Old (Heb 8, 2Cor 3)	New
	Covenant Sign	Circumcision Gen 17:10-11	The Sabbath (Ex 31:12-18, Ez 20:12,20)	Lord's Supper (Lu 22:20, Matt 26:27,28, Mk 14: 23-25)
	The Covenant Sign is often referred to as the Covenant itself (meaning it represents the Covenant.)	Circumcision called the Abrahamic Covenant. Gen 17:10,13; Acts 7:8.	The Sabbath called the Mosaic Covenant (Ex 31:16)	The cup of the Supper called the New Covenant (luke 22:20).
	The Covenant Sign is Central to the Covenant	Called the covenant. Gen 17:10,13. Those that didn't keep it were cut off.	Sabbath command often given pre-eminence (Neh 9:14, 58:13, Ez 20:16, 21, 24, 22:8,26, 23:8, 44:24, Jer 17:21ff). Takes 1/3 in Ex 20 account. Singled out in its connection to the the Cov (Is 56:2,4,6).	Lord's Supper is the only N.C. sign to be practiced perpetually.
	The Covenant Sign is a Sign of Remembrance / Identification.	Circumcision identified the members of the Abrahamic Covenant. (Gen 17:10)	Remember 1. God their creator, 2. God their Redeemer from Egypt. Identifies Israelites as those who are "Sanctified" by God. (Ex 31:13, 16, 17, De 5:12ff)	Sign given to remember the Lord. (Luke 22:19). Given also to identify believers . "show forth". (1Cor 11:26)
	The Covenant Sign places an obligation upon at least one Party. (Obligation not on those outside the Covenant.)	Physical descendants (& proselytes) required to be circumcised. (Gen 17:27)	Only National Israel commanded to keep the Sabbath (Ex 31:13, 16, 17, Neh 9:9, 13-15, Ez 20:12,20)	Believers are obligated to partake of the Supper.
	The Covenant Sign is taken very seriously by God (especially when the sign places an obligation on the human party).	- The uncircumcised to be cut off as Covenant breakers (Gen 17:14). When Moses delayed his child's circumcision the Lord 'sought to kill him' (Ex 4:24-26).	Sabbath breakers under the Mosaic Covenant were to be put to death. (Nu 15:32-36)	People have died for misuse of this Covenant sign. (1 Cor 11:30)
	The Covenant Sign is between members of the Covenant	Only Abraham's descendants, community proselytes & slaves were required to be circumcised. (Gen 17:26,27)	A sign between God and "the children of Israel". (Ex 31:13ff, Ez 20:12,20, Neh 9)	Only believers allowed to partake. (1Cor 11:28,29).
	No one outside the Covenant is required to keep / observe the Covenant sign	Those outside the Covenant were not required to be circumcised - unless they joined the Cov. Community.	No command, rebuke or example regarding Sabbath keeping 1. prior to Moses, 2. for a gentile nation or individual, or 3. in the NT after the death of Christ.	Unbelievers are not required to partake, in fact they are forbidden. (1Cor 11:29). Supper (& Sabbath) only kept by Cov members.
	Covenant signs are given with the inauguration of the Covenant (or just prior).	Circumcision given with the inauguration of the Abrahamic Cov. (Gen 17).	Sign given (in Ex 16) just prior to the inauguration of the Covenant (in Ex 20). NB: Ex 16 = 1st time "Sabbath" word & concept appears.	Sign given (in Matt 26, Mk14, Lu 22) just prior to the inauguration of the covenant (in Matt 27, Mk 15, Lu 23).
	Covenant Signs end with the fulfillment of the Covenant they are the sign of.	The requirement of circumcision ceased with the fulfillment of the Ab. Covenant by Christ on the Cross.	No Judging regarding Sabbaths. (Col 2:16). No more keeping of days (Gal 4:10). He who does not observe a day, to the Lord he does not observe it ( Rom 14:5,6).	Eternal Covenant (Mark 14:25 speaks of the sign being celebrated in heaven).
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