

# ALTARS AND COVENANTS



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# Introduction

We are now going to look at the **relationship** between **altars** and **covenants**.

- An altar is a place of **sacrifice** and a place of **contact** with the spirit world.
- It is also a place of **invocations** and **covenant activation**.
- The altar serves to **activate** covenants.
- It serves existing covenants.

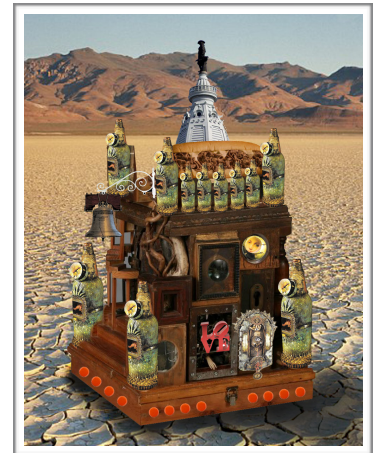
**No altar, no living covenant. A covenant remains dormant without an altar of prayer.**

In the **traditional religions**, altars (shrines, high places) are very important in working out **covenant benefits**. Pagan priests and satanic watchmen offer sacrifices to the territorial spirits behind their local deities, thus invoking their presence and power.

**TOKENS** are usually exchanged during such rituals.

- On **cross roads**,
- in **markets**,
- **mountain sides**,
- in **forests** or
- **near rivers** ...

... you see these various **satanic altars** (shrines) and the regular 'offerings' of goats, dogs, fowls, eggs, blood, cowrie shells, etc, day by day.



**The altars are used to service satanic covenants.**

Similarly, we believers must have **functional altars** in our families, work places and churches where we offer our **sacrifices of praise and incense of prayer** in order to **activate** and **service** our covenant with God. This is the implication of regular and consistent prayer.

In the absence of meaningful daily prayers and praise (sacrifice), your covenant remains **dormant** and God's help is denied and blocked. He has to be made to be **mindful of His covenants**.

**Isaiah 43:26** *“Put Me in remembrance (remind Me of your merits); let us plead and argue together. Set forth your case, that you may be justified (proved right).”*

**Leviticus 26:40-42** *“But if they confess their own and their fathers' iniquity in their treachery which they committed against Me—and also that because they walked contrary to Me I also walked contrary to them and brought them into the land of their enemies—if then their uncircumcised hearts are humbled and they then accept the punishment for their iniquity, Then will I (earnestly) remember My Covenant with Jacob, My Covenant with Isaac, and My Covenant with Abraham, and (earnestly) remember the land.”*

**Leviticus 26:43-45** “But the land shall be left behind them and shall enjoy its sabbaths while it lies desolate without them; and they shall accept the punishment for their sins and make amends because **they despised and rejected My Ordinances** and their soul **scorned and rejected My Statutes**. And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, **I will not spurn and cast them away**, neither will I **despise and abhor** them to destroy them utterly and to break My covenant with them, for I am the Lord their God. But **I will for their sake (earnestly) remember the Covenant** with their forefathers whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God. I am the Lord.”

**Psalms 106:42-46** “Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under the hand of their foes. Many times did (God) deliver them, but they were **rebellious** in their counsel and **sank low** through their iniquity. Nevertheless He regarded their distress when He **heard their cry**; And **He (earnestly) remembered for their sake His Covenant** and relented their sentence of evil (comforting and easing Himself) according to the abundance of **His Mercy and Loving Kindness** (when they cried out to Him). He also caused (Israel) to find **sympathy** among those who had carried them away captive.”

Consistency at the altar of prayer usually ensures:

- consistent divine favour,
- victory in battle,
- divine provision,
- promotion and
- divine protection.

## **The Reason**

**The covenant will always be an active operation because the altar activates it.**

# The beginning of Covenants

## 1. Noah's Covenant

**Genesis 6:13** “God said to Noah, I intend to make an end of all flesh, for through men the land is filled with violence; and behold, I will destroy them and the land.”

**Genesis 6:17,18** “For behold, I, even I, will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy and make putrid all flesh under the heavens in which are the breath and spirit of life; everything that is on the land shall die. But **I will establish My Covenant** (promise, pledge) with you, and you shall come into the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.”

Before God can have any dealing with man, to bless and promote him, and before He can begin to stand by a man, there must be a **contract**. There must be a **conscious agreement** – namely a **COVENANT**.

The Scripture above reveals that all mankind had gone their own way. God looked at the earth and found no one righteous except Noah. Therefore God told Noah, He would destroy all the earth. Unfortunately at that time also, God had no reason to spare Noah because there was no legal basis for doing so.

But because of Noah's righteousness, God asked him to enter into a legal agreement with Him. So, God entered into a Covenant with Noah. The initiative of every covenant is usually from the Lord.

God entered into a **Covenant relationship with Noah, his family** as well as with **all the animals** that entered into the ark with him.

God promised Noah that as he had entered into that covenant with Him, it became His **responsibility and obligation to protect** Noah from harm and the destruction to come upon the earth.

**In Genesis 9:8-15** “Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying, Behold, I establish **My covenant** or pledge with you and with your descendants after you And with every living creature that is with you—whether the birds, the livestock, or the wild beasts of the earth along with you, as many as came out of the ark—every animal of the earth. I will establish **My Covenant** or Pledge with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood; neither shall there ever again be a flood to destroy the earth and make it corrupt. And God said, This is **the token of the Covenant** (solemn pledge) which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I set **My Bow (rainbow) in the cloud, and it shall be a token or sign of a Covenant** or solemn pledge between Me and the earth. And it shall be that when I bring clouds over the earth and the bow (rainbow) is seen in the clouds, **I will (earnestly) remember My Covenant** or solemn Pledge which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters will no more become a flood to destroy and make all flesh corrupt.”

God told Noah: *“We are now in a covenant relationship, I will protect you, I will defend you, I will supply all your needs, I will do everything you want Me to do for you, but I want you to be sure, you need to have a guarantee concerning this. So, I give you a token (proof) in the form of a rainbow,”*



With every covenant, there is always a **covenant token**. It is the **proof or a sign** and a manifestation of that covenant to show that God would not lie nor deceive those in covenant relationship with Him.

Thus, after the flood had abated and Noah had settled down, the rainbow became a **proof**, a **sign of assurance** concerning God's Promise to Noah and his people. Every time they saw clouds of rain or experience a severe thunderstorm, the people would begin to fear.

Noah then had the responsibility of educating all his people time and again, saying as it were, *“Whenever the clouds gather, all you need to do is to look out for a rainbow in the sky, then you will know that God will not destroy us again.”*

The Covenant brought an assurance of protection.

**Tokens are proofs**, or **signs** that a covenant is in existence. It has to be something evident and to be seen from time to time as an assurance that a covenant is in operation. Every good covenant must have tokens.

Our forefathers understood the importance of tokens in covenants. It could be;

- in **body incisions** or
- **body tattoos**.
- It could be in a form of one **tribal mark** or
- the other on their **faces** and those of their children.

These were meant to physically establish the existence of a **covenant**. In African traditional societies, people have various kinds of **scars** or **body marks**, either on the forehead or somewhere else in the body depending on their local tribes.

These serve as **tokens** between the people and their local gods (deities). Wherever the children of such families go, the demon or the territorial spirit or the god to which they are covenanted has a responsibility of monitoring them, “protecting them” and giving them all they need.

Hence, a Christian who wears those marks needs to break all negative influences those tokens covenant in his or her life otherwise there will be constant, consistent re-occurrence of different problems. Many Christians continue to have nightmares and experience unusual attacks and afflictions in the night because those who service their covenants come to meet them in their sleep. They may not know about the roots of these things, but they’ll suffer all the same.

## 2. Abrahamic Covenant

**Genesis 17:1-3** “WHEN ABRAM was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, I AM the Almighty God; **walk and live habitually before Me and be perfect** (blameless, wholehearted, complete). And I will make **My Covenant** (solemn Pledge) between Me and you and will **multiply you exceedingly**. Then Abram fell on his face, and God said to him,”



Here also, God stepped into the life of Abraham. Abraham did not know God. It was God that made an appearance unto him.

God signed a Contract with Abraham and his generations and that covenant is still valid with the children of Israel today, as well as with the Church, through our faith in Jesus Christ.

**Genesis 17:9-14** “And God said to **Abraham**, As for you, you shall therefore **keep My Covenant**, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations. This is **My Covenant**, which you shall keep, **between Me and you and your posterity after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised**. And you shall circumcise the flesh of **your foreskin**, and it shall be a **token or sign of the Covenant** (the Promise or Pledge) between Me and you. He who is eight days old among you shall be circumcised, every male throughout your generations, whether born in (your) house or bought with (your) money from any foreigner not of your offspring. He that is born in your house and he that is bought with your money must be circumcised; and **My Covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting Covenant**. And the male who is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he has broken My covenant.”

God gave Abraham the **token of the Covenant He was entering into with him**. Abraham asked God how would he know that all the blessings would be fulfilled?

## **How would his children’s children know there was a bond between God and them?**

**God replied**, “I am going to give you a proof, I will give you a token, a visible proof that your children for generations will always look at and know they are under an agreement. Once you have a male child, on the eighth day circumcise him by cutting off the flesh of his foreskin, his private part. This is **My Token**: The mark of the knife and of the healed flesh.”

Abraham went home and on the same day he circumcised all the males of his household, himself last.

**From that day the Covenant took effect.**

## **The Covenant between David and Jonathan**

**1 Samuel 18:1-4** “WHEN DAVID had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of **Jonathan was knit with the soul of David**, and Jonathan loved him as his own life. Saul took David that day and would not let him return to his father’s house. Then **Jonathan made a covenant with David**, because he loved him as his own life. And Jonathan stripped himself of the **robe that was on him and gave it to David, and his armor, even his sword, his bow, and his girdle.**”

Jonathan made a covenant with David and gave him his robe, sword, bow, and girdle as **covenant tokens**.

In essence, Jonathan was telling David, “*wherever you go, know that there is a deal between the two of us.*”

These tokens proved an agreement was between the two of them. Because of this sacred agreement, Jonathan even revealed secrets of his father’s house to David in the wilderness.

As children of God, we are in a covenant with Jesus Christ. Our **covenant token** is the **inner circumcision** and the **indwelling Holy Spirit**. They are our covenant evidences.

The Spirit is the **SEAL** of our redemption.

## **Only death validates the Covenant**

Another principle that applies universally in each covenant is that the covenant is valid only on the basis of the sacrifice. This general principle is stated in Hebrews.

**Hebrews 9:16–17** *“For where a covenant is, there must of necessity be the death of the one who made it. For a covenant is valid only when men are dead, for it is never in force while the one who made it lives.”*

In the next three verses, the writer of **Hebrews** applied this principle specifically to the covenant between God and Israel that was mediated by Moses at Mount Sinai.

**Hebrews 9:18–20** *“Therefore even the first Covenant was not inaugurated without blood. For when every commandment had been spoken by Moses to all the people according to the Law, he took the blood of the calves and the goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, “THIS IS THE BLOOD OF THE COVENANT WHICH GOD COMMANDED YOU.”*

In each case, the **death of the sacrifice** represented the death of those who entered by it into the covenant. The animals sacrificed by Moses merely reminded Israel of the principle that **covenant was valid only through death** and prefigured a different kind of sacrifice that had not yet been offered. On the other hand, the death of Jesus on the cross was substitutionary.

He died as the personal representative of all who were to enter into the covenant with God through Him. Jesus identified Himself with each of them in death, that each in turn might identify himself with Jesus.

As this **two-way identification** is worked out through the **ongoing commitment** of each believer, the death of Jesus becomes, effectively and experientially, the death of the believer. This principle is clearly stated by Paul in **2 Corinthians**.

**2 Corinthians 5:14, 15** *“For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.”*

Paul's conclusion is both clear and logical. It is summed up in the words *“therefore all died.”*

If we accept Christ's death as our death, then we must *“consider (ourselves) to be dead”*. No more selfishness, pride, anger, rage, bad feelings, lies, rejection. **Colossians 3:5-10, Galatians 5:17-21** ... The desires of the flesh.

**Romans 6:11** NAS *"Therefore, we are no longer free to live for ourselves. This, too, has a two-way application: vertically, toward the Lord and horizontally, toward the Lord's People. When the Lord and Abram entered into Covenant with each other, each voluntarily abrogated the right to live only for himself. Each, by the "cutting" of the Covenant, said, in effect, to the other: "That is my death. As I enter into this Covenant, I enter by death. Now that I am in Covenant, I have no more right to live."*

The same relationship that was established that memorable night, person-to-person, between the Lord and Abram is re-established among all who, through the death of Jesus, are brought into covenant with each other.

Each of us **reaffirms** the **mutual covenant** of which the Lord and Abram are the prototype, the original pattern. Each says to the other: *"That is my death. As I enter into this covenant, I enter by death. Now that I am in covenant, I have no more right to live."*

In **1 John**, the outworking of the death that alone makes our covenant valid is applied by the apostle specifically to our relationship with our fellow believers.

**1 John 3:16-17** *"We know love by this, that He laid down His Life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoever has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?"*

The phrase *"we ought to"* expresses an **obligation** ... one that we cannot evade if we claim to be partakers of the same covenant. When John spoke about laying down our lives, he was not speaking solely, or even primarily, about undergoing physical death. He made this quite clear, because in the next verse he applied it to making our worldly goods available to our fellow believers. If we are not willing to do this where there is a legitimate need, then we are not willing to *"lay down our lives."*

Laying down our lives means being ready to share with our Covenant brothers and sisters both what we are and what we have. If we are not willing to do this, our covenant commitment is not genuine.

## Covenants and Seals

Once we are born into the Kingdom of God and believe, we are marked in the spirit with the Holy Spirit who is a **Seal**.

**Ephesians 1:13** *"In Him you also who have heard the Word of Truth, the glad tidings (Gospel) of your salvation, and have believed in and adhered to and relied on Him, were stamped with the seal of the long-promised Holy Spirit."*

We learn from this that **the seal is actually a spirit** ... in this case the Holy Spirit ... He is a **Covering**.

## Examples of Godly Seals

1. **Water baptism** is a seal. The old man is buried with Christ and you are raised with the resurrection power of the Holy Spirit. (**Romans 6**)
2. **The baptism of the Holy Spirit** by the laying on of hands and the evidence of speaking in tongues also is a type of seal over us. (Acts 19:6)
3. **The Blood of Jesus** is the seal over us. Because we sin everyday, we break the seal over us and that is why we must confess and repent and regularly use communion to reseal our lives with the Blood of Jesus (Re-instating the Covenant).
4. **Anointing our homes:** God's seal can be broken when people in the home sin, or you are ministering to people in your home with demonic bondages the protection is broken and so we need to pray and re-establish God's Seal regularly. Visitors in your home can also bring demons with them and the seal will need to be re-established (Re-instating the Covenant).

**Definition of seal** (Collins Dictionary and Thesaurus):

- a. *A device impressed on a piece of wax fixed to a letter, etc, as a mark of authentication.*
- b. *A stamp, ring, etc, engraved with a device to form such an impression.*
- c. *A substance, especially wax, so placed over an envelope, etc, that it must be broken before the object can be opened or used.*
- d. *Any substance or device used to close or fasten tightly.*
- e. *Anything that gives a pledge or confirmation.*
- f. *A token, sign*
- g. *To endorse*

## The Demonic kingdom

In the demonic kingdom an actual **demon** acts as the **seal** over the person.

- This seal keeps all other demons in place until it is broken.
- This is not the same as a strongman.
- This demon's function is **to cover** everything.
- Strongmen fight and guard.
- The **sealing demon** and **strongman** are in **agreement** ... so we must pray disagreement between the two.

When the seal is broken, the strongman's throne is exposed. Then we can destroy the altars that uphold the throne, and once the throne has toppled, we can enter the spiritual dungeons with the Keys of the Kingdom to release the souls of men held captive (The strongman holds the keys of captivity).

**Revelation 5:5** *"Then one of the elders [of the heavenly Sanhedrin] said to me, Stop weeping! See, the **Lion of the tribe of Judah**, the Root (Source) of David, has won (has overcome and conquered)! He can open the scroll and **break its seven seals!**"*

- Only Jesus is **Worthy** to break open the seals.
- He paid **the price** for the seals to be broken.
- His Blood was split and that **makes Him Worthy** to open the seals.

This teaches us that **when a covenant is made, blood flows** and a seal / mark is placed over it to keep all the covenant agreements and consequences in place.

It is therefore very important to break demonic seals over people, nations, tribes, cultures, etc. This can only be done in the NAME of JESUS.

### **Three types of demonic seals can be present with regards to a person.**

#### *i) An Umbilical Cord (Generational Curses)*

A transference of demons in the womb through the umbilical cord can take place. Unless the seal is broken, the inherited demons will not leave. It acts as a gate with a gatekeeper.

#### *ii) A Dedication Seal*

This is when a baby is dedicated to Satan by an actual physical event.

**Please note:** This is why our baby dedications are of such vital importance, because the child can be sealed with blessings or curses.

A **demon** is **placed over** the **dedication ritual** to seal it. Sometimes blood covenants with Satan are made on behalf of the child.

Break dedication seal in Jesus Name.

#### *iii) An initiation Seal*

When the child is at an older age it is initiated into an order by a physical event. This would require, even by force, some act of their will. They would physically have to do something like sign the book, drink the blood, etc. Normally some record is kept and the child may receive special markings, cuts, brand marks, "blessings" and/or names. If the seal is not broken, the covenant remains in tact.

When these seals are accompanied by the letting of blood, the covenants become stronger.

BUT praise the Lord!! The Blood of Jesus is above any other covenant and His Name is higher than any other!!

**His Blood has the final Word! He is the Alpha and Omega!**

# What is a Covenant?

- (i) A covenant is an agreement between two or more people promising to do certain things or fulfill certain **promises** or **obligations under certain conditions**.
- (ii) In covenants, the power of the **strong** is made available to the **weak** and the weak transfer his weakness to the strong. Similarly, the wealth of the rich is made available to the **poor** in a covenant.
- (iii) When people enter into a covenant, certain **physical** and **spiritual exchange take place**.
- (iv) Those who are or have been in the **occult** or in the **underworld** have one time or the other entered into covenants. There is no secret cult operation or traditional religion practiced without serious covenants.
- (v) They all come together in **secrecy** and they **draw blood** from each other's veins, put it in a bowl or a calabash, mix it with some concoctions and charms, make some enchantments or incantations on it and then make everyone **drink of it**.
- (vi) They then make some **invocations** and **sacred vows**. From that day on, they are into a covenant relationship. None of them dare break the covenant. Breaking such covenants result in serious repercussions if anyone tries to.
- (vii) This is a covenant which automatically gives the initiated access to anything that belongs to anyone in that group. They make very unusual demands on each other without refusal. They are in a covenant relationship.

## Covenant Benefits (Terms)

It would be foolish to enter into any covenant without understanding its terms. In covenant relationships, **all the powers, might and resources** of the **strong** are made available to the **weak**. **The two of them are thus made equal**. The weak person can draw from the strength of the strong or tap from the resources belonging to the strong so that he too can become strong or rich.

A practical example of covenants is **the marriage covenant**. In marriages, certain **pronouncements and vows** are usually made at the altar or registry before priests or accredited officers. After these vows, **certain tokens** i.e. rings, Bibles, etc, are exchanged and a marriage certificate (covenant) signed by both parties ... husband and wife.

A covenant is usually **legally binding** and all the parties involved must fulfill their parts. No one enters into a covenant without deriving one form of benefit or the other from it. That is why many run into the occult.

Nobody enters into covenant with the Living God without deriving something good from the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

The **Twelve Tribes of Israel** all gained from the covenant of father Abraham. There is something to gain from a covenant.

Evidently, the covenant of God with Abraham was one between two unequal partners;

- A strong, Mighty and powerful God of Heaven and
- a weak Abraham.

As recorded in **Genesis 17**, God's Covenant with Abraham was sealed with the circumcision of the foreskin of all males as a token. From the day of circumcision, all the resources of God:

- His riches,
- protection,
- favour,
- power,
- victory,
- grace,
- fame, and
- Life were made available to Abraham.

That is why Abraham was always a winner in any battle he fought. In the battle of Sodom and Gomorrah, God fought for Abraham, therefore he could defeat five nations and rescue Lot.

## Covenant Terms

**Genesis 17:4-8** *“As for Me, behold, **My Covenant** (solemn pledge) is with you, and you shall be the father of many nations. Nor shall your name any longer be **Abram** [high, exalted father]; but your name shall be **Abraham** [father of a multitude], for I have made you the father of many nations. And I will make you **exceedingly fruitful** and I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. And I will establish **My Covenant between Me and you and your descendants** after you throughout their generations for an everlasting, solemn pledge, to be a God to you and to your posterity after you. And I will give to you and to your posterity after you the land in which you are a stranger [going from place to place], all the land of Canaan, for an **everlasting possession**; and I will be their God.”*

- (i) The **first term** of this covenant is contained in **verse 4**; the Lord said Abram would be a **father of many nations**.
- (ii) The **second term** is in **verse 5**; God changed Abram's name to Abraham. Names are very important in the Bible. *“Now because we are in covenant relationship, you have to drop your father's covenant name. I will now give you another name. Your name shall be called **ABRAHAM** – a new covenant name. Thus anytime I call Abraham; you are to remember that this is your covenant name as My child.”*

Similarly, before Abraham's wife Sarai too could enjoy the blessings of God, her name had to be changed from Sarai to SARAH as a covenant name.

- (iii) **Verses 6-8** of our text, we'll discover a number of prophetic Blessings God gave to Abraham: to make Abraham exceedingly great:
  - To be a **God** unto him and **his generations** after him;
  - To give to him and his generation the **promised land**.

Nobody asked God to do these, they were simply **covenant terms** (benefits) to let Abraham know of some of the benefits he stood to gain from the covenant. Abraham must have been so excited after this meeting, realizing that he had so much to benefit from this new covenant.

## God gave Israel Covenant Terms as a Nation.

**Deuteronomy 7:12-15** “And if you **hearken** to these **precepts** and **keep** and **do** them, the Lord your **God will keep** with you the **Covenant** and the steadfast love which He swore to your fathers. And He **will love you, bless you, and multiply you**; He will also bless the **fruit of your body** and the **fruit of your land, your grain, your new wine, and your oil, the increase of your cattle** and the **young of your flock** in the land which He swore to your fathers to give you. You shall **be blessed above all peoples**; there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. And the Lord will take away from you all **sickness**, and none of the evil **diseases of Egypt** which you knew will He put upon you, but will lay them upon all who hate you.”

Nobody enters into a covenant without deriving one form of benefit or the other from it. Covenants are for **protection, promotion** and **provision**.

A New Testament believer should regard all the things the Scriptures promised us as our **covenant terms**.

For instance, the Bible says,

- “*By His stripes you were healed*”, it’s a term of the messianic covenant.
- “*The Lord shall supply your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus*”, is another term of covenant.
- “*The sun shall not smite you by day nor the moon by night*”, is another benefit.
- “*As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord will surround His people*”, is a term of covenant.

There are many more. Except you **understand these** and **deliberately** and **consciously appropriate them**, you won’t enjoy any of these terms even though they are meant for you.

**Hosea 4:6** “My people are **destroyed for lack of knowledge**; because you [the priestly nation] have rejected knowledge, I will also reject you that you shall be no priest to Me; seeing you have **forgotten the Law of your God, I will also forget your children.**”

**John 8:32** “And you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free.”

Before spiritual principles work in your life, you need to have an understanding of their terms, otherwise you’ll only end up throwing empty and vague scriptures back to God in prayer.

“Oh God, do this and do that”.

The question is ...

**Have you consciously entered into an active covenant with the Lord?**

**Do you have an understanding of its terms and provision?**

Without this understanding, you'll lose out. You may get no help or deliverance in the day of trouble. It happens to a lot of people because they are without understanding.

## The Strength of a Covenant

It is clear from the scriptures that, every **formal agreement** between God and man is a covenant. Therefore, the Bible is a covenant between God and man.

A **covenant is binding** and the breaking of any part of it by either of the parties often carries heavy penalty. The covenant of God with Israel for instance declares that a **Nazarene** must not drink wine and his hair must be left to grow long. A razor must not touch his hair.

**Samson** was an example. However, he broke one of the rules of the covenant when Delilah caused his hair to be cut. Samson paid dearly for it.



**Leviticus 26:44-45** *“And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not spurn and cast them away, neither will I despise and abhor them to destroy them utterly and to break My covenant with them, for I am the Lord their God. **But I will for their sake [earnestly] remember the Covenant** with their forefathers whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God. I am the Lord.”*

God said He will remember His Covenant, He will not abhor His children nor destroy them because of the covenants He made with them.

**A covenant is a living phenomenon.**

A lot of believers run into problems and appear to receive no immediate help in the day of trouble because they have not understood the secret of walking in covenant with God.

We need to **remind God of His Covenants**, we need to approach Him legally and entreat Him concerning His promises.

## God's Covenant with David.

***Psalms 89:1-4*** “I WILL sing of the mercy and loving-kindness of the Lord forever; with my mouth will I make known Your Faithfulness from generation to generation. For I have said, Mercy and loving-kindness shall be built up forever; Your Faithfulness will You establish in the very heavens [unchangeable and perpetual]. [You have said] I have made a **Covenant with My chosen one**, I have sworn to David My servant, **Your Seed I will establish forever, and I will build up your throne for all generations.** Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]!”

***Psalms 19: 22-24*** “Once You spoke in a vision to Your devoted ones and said, I have endowed one who is mighty [a hero, giving him the power to help—to be a champion for Israel]; I have exalted one chosen from among the people. **The enemy shall not exact from him or do him violence or outwit him, nor shall the wicked afflict and humble him.** I will beat down his foes before his face and smite those who hate him. My faithfulness and My mercy and loving-kindness shall be with him, and in **My name shall his horn be exalted** [great power and prosperity shall be conferred upon him].”

These are the terms of the Covenant God made privately with David after which He sent Samuel to anoint him in order to ratify the covenant. God told David that because of His Covenant, his enemies will not exact from him or do him violence or outwit him, nor shall the wicked afflict and humble him.

In short, no enemy would ever defeat David in life. In every battle, whether David was strong or weak, he would still come out victorious. **The Covenant was to ensure this.**

Based on this agreement therefore, David knew the outcome of any battle ahead of time. It was already divinely decreed and earthly gazetted. He knew he would never lose in battle all his life. A time came when David had trouble in his kingdom and he began to doubt his security. He began to pray and God came around to re-assure him.

***Psalms 89:33-35*** “Nevertheless, My Loving Kindness will I not break off from him, nor allow My Faithfulness to fail [to lie and be false to him]. **My Covenant will I not break or profane, nor alter the thing that is gone out of My Lips.** Once [for all] have I sworn by **My Holiness, which cannot be violated; I will not lie to David:**”

That was God's assurance to David. This implies that many indeed may be the afflictions of the righteous who has a Living Covenant with God, but he would be delivered from them all.

Everything that God promised David, also belongs to us. You can stand on the same Covenant terms that David stood on.

God is behind every Covenant you enter into with Him. And with it as a back-up, you have all **His Holiness, Integrity and His Power.** He therefore cannot break His Covenant. Breaking a Covenant would make Him a liar and He would be liable. He does not break Covenants because He knows the implication of breaking a legal agreement. It is man that breaks agreements. God does not. “... *My Covenant will I not break nor alter the thing that is gone out of My Lips*” .

## Covenant Responsibilities

Covenant responsibilities refers to what a man **has to do or the steps he has to take** in effectualising a covenant. Everyone involved in a covenant must understand the responsibilities involved in the agreement before it can work.

**Genesis 17:1-2** *“WHEN ABRAM was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, I am the Almighty God; **walk and live habitually before Me and be perfect** (blameless, wholehearted, complete). And I will **make My Covenant** (solemn Pledge) between Me and you and will multiply you exceedingly.”*

To get the benefits of the Divine Covenant, the responsibility of **fulfilling** the Covenant obligations rests with the believer.

### **You’ve got to do it.**

Those who want God’s Covenant to operate in their lives have a price to pay:

- holiness,
- purity,
- earnestness in prayer,
- integrity and
- humility.

**Deuteronomy 7:11-16** *“11 You shall therefore **keep and do the instruction, laws, and precepts** which I command you this day. And if you **hearken** to these precepts and **keep and do them**, the Lord your God will keep with you the covenant and the steadfast love which He swore to your fathers. And He will **love you, bless you, and multiply you**; He will also bless the **fruit of your body and the fruit of your land, your grain, your new wine, and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the young of your flock** in the land which He swore to your fathers to give you. You shall be blessed above all peoples; there shall not be male or female **barren** among you, or among your cattle. And the Lord will take away from you all **sickness**, and none of the evil **diseases of Egypt** which you knew will He put upon you, but will lay them upon all who hate you. And you shall consume all the peoples whom the Lord your God will give over to you; your eye shall not pity them, neither shall you serve their gods, for that would be a snare to you.”*

The key to activating the covenant was to **KEEP AND DO THE INSTRUCTION, LAWS, and PRECEPTS**.

Nobody deals unfaithfully in a covenant and not pay dearly for it. Israel learnt this the hard way. For example, Israel had in the days of Joshua sworn to the Gibeonites to protect them. Many years later (13 generations later) king Saul, in his ignorance and military zeal began to destroy the Gibeonites, thus breaking covenant. In the days that David was king, there was a **severe famine for three consecutive years**. David subsequently discovered the cause to be a covenant broken (**2 Samuel 21**).

If you enter into a covenant with somebody you become as it were one with that person. That is why the marriage covenant makes a man and his wife to become one in the sight of God.

Though Gibeon was a great city with valiant men, they still entered into a covenant with Israel because they knew no one could stand against the men of Israel who were in covenant relationship with the God of Heaven.

## How to activate a Covenant

**Joshua 10:1-7** *“WHEN ADONI-ZEDEK king of Jerusalem heard how Joshua had taken Ai and had utterly destroyed it, doing to Jericho and its king as he had done to Ai and its king, and how the residents of Gibeon had made peace with Israel and were among them, He feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, like one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and **all its men were mighty**. So Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem sent to Hoham king of Hebron, to Piram king of Jarmuth, to Japhia king of Lachish, and to Debir king of Eglon, saying, Come up to me and help me, and let us smite Gibeon, for it has made peace with Joshua and with the Israelites. Then the **five kings of the Amorites**—the kings of Jerusalem, Hebron, Jarmuth, Lachish, and Eglon—gathered their forces and went up with all their armies and encamped before Gibeon to fight against it. And the men of Gibeon sent to Joshua at the camp in Gilgal, saying, **Do not relax your hand from your servants; come up to us quickly and save us and help us**, for all the kings of the Amorites who dwell in the hill country are gathered against us. So Joshua went up from Gilgal, he and all the warriors with him and all the mighty men of valor.”*

The moment the Gibeonites were attacked, they activated their covenant with Joshua. They cried unto him **“save us!”**. Because Joshua also had a Covenant with God, God who was not directly invited to the battle also got involved in it. God wouldn't allow Joshua alone to fight the battle because a Covenant was in existence between them.

The outcome of the battle:

**Joshua 10:10-11** *“And the Lord caused [the enemies] to **panic before Israel**, who slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon and chased them along the way that goes up to Beth-horon and smote them as far as Azekah and Makkedah. As they fled before Israel, while they were descending [the pass] to Beth-horon, the **Lord cast great stones from the heavens on them** as far as Azekah, killing them. More died because of the hailstones than the Israelites slew with the sword.”*

That is how we are to activate our covenants. In the day of trouble, we are to **raise a cry through prayer and supplication** to the God of our covenant and remain courageous as He takes over the battles.

We must not joke with holiness and prayer because if we do, satan and his cohorts will have an inroad into our lives. The man under a divine covenant must manifest **humility, transparent honesty, integrity** and **prayerfulness**, because these are some of the vital covenant responsibilities.

If you keep your side of the agreement, God's part is to provide you with **power, deliverance, provision, protection** and **healing**. Our own part is to obey His laws, service and activate the covenant on the altar of prayer regularly, live a holy life and have faith in His Word.

These are covenant responsibilities which everybody must keep. Thank God for David. He was such a meticulous man ... he kept his eyes on the Law of God. He manifested a "violent" faith.

David was not careless about his obligation to the covenant. He knew he would pay dearly for it if he became careless. Of course, he was surrounded by many enemies. With all the Goliaths, Amorites, Jebusites and all the Philistines, he could not joke with the covenant because that was his only means of survival.

The **Abrahamic Covenant** was the strength Israel had against their giant enemies and all the mighty nations surrounding them. Many of these were bent on plundering and devouring her. Therefore, Israel couldn't afford to trifle with covenant responsibilities.

All the kings that tampered with covenant responsibilities experienced terrible repercussions.

## **Why enter into a Covenant?**

We do this when we can no longer endure suffering. When we can no longer carry our lives burdens alone. When we need a legal burden bearer and helper.

***Nehemiah 9: 36-38*** "Behold, we are slaves this day, and as for the land that You gave to our fathers to eat the fruit and the good of it, behold, we are slaves in it. And its rich yield goes to the kings whom You have set over us because of our sins; **they have power also over our bodies and over our livestock at their pleasure.** And we are in great distress. Because of all this, **we make a firm and sure written covenant, and our princes, Levites, and priests set their seal to it.**"

The Israelites woke up one day and realized their sufferings were unjustified. They said, "**Why should these weak and smaller nations rule Israel?**"

***"We plant but cannot harvest, all the land God gave our fathers for an eternal inheritance have been taken from us. Worse still, we are now servants in those lands. What a terrible thing ... suffering in the midst of plenty, fruitless hard labour and collective servitude. We are tired. We have suffered enough."***

The priests and the Levites therefore called on the people to sign a **new Agreement** with God. Through this, they believed that the **benefits of the Abrahamic Covenant** and God's Power would be made available to them again.

## The Strength of the Covenant

**Jeremiah 33:19-22** “And the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying, Thus says the Lord: If you can break **My Covenant with the day**, and **My Covenant with the night**, so that there should not be day and night in their season, Then can also **My Covenant** be broken with David My servant, so that he shall not have a son to reign upon his throne, and [My league be broken also] with the Levitical priests, My ministers. As the host of [the stars of] the heavens cannot be numbered nor the sand of the sea be measured, so will I multiply the offspring of David My servant and the Levites who minister to Me.”

### David

This is the strength of a covenant. You will wonder why God began to mention David over and over again. David was very precious in the sight of God, because he had as excellent spirit. A spirit of **holiness, integrity, faithfulness, faith, worship, prayer and praise was in him.**

**The Bible calls him the man after the heart of God.**

That was why God Loved him so much, such that in spite of his many errors, he was still the Beloved of the Father. We also need to know that David’s success, victory and survival in battle were due to the kind of Covenants he made with men and God.

He was really a covenanted man.

- His first covenant was the **ancestral Covenant of circumcision**, the Abrahamic covenant in his flesh.
- The second was the **Psalms 89** personal Covenant with God.
- The third was between him and **Jonathan (1 Samuel 18)**.
- The fourth covenant was between him and the **tribe of Judah** when they came to Hebron to make him king.
- The last of the Davidic covenants was the one he entered into with the **whole house of Israel** when they proclaimed him king over the whole land.

At 17, this young man killed a giant, Goliath, the Philistine army general because he was in covenant relationship with God. Being a seed of Abraham, he was circumcised on the eighth day. This act automatically activated the Abrahamic covenant in his life.

### Israel

The moment the Abrahamic Covenant came into operation, **Israel’s victory** was sure. For instance, Gideon defeated the enemies of Israel with only 300 men. These men were fighting under a covenant. This was the secret of their strength and victory.

Even during the **exodus journey in the wilderness**, each time the Israelites went to war against very terrible enemies, they just discovered that arrows could not penetrate their bodies nor could spears harm them.

For instance, 3,000 soldiers would go to battle to fight against 500,000 enemy troops and when they have finished, Joshua would count all the men of war one by one and would report back to Moses that, “**No one man was missing!**”

They had no casualties in battle! Arrows could not harm them, spears could not kill them because they had the covenant of Abraham in their flesh. Once they were circumcised before enlistment, their battles were a walk-over!

Today, our circumcision is not of the flesh by human hands but of the Spirit.

A covenant is a continuous relationship, it is not a one time agreement but a continuous relationship with God.

## **How do we renew / reinstate a Covenant?**

- By **obedience** (Deuteronomy 7:12-15).
- By **repentance** (own sins and sins of forefathers).
- By **remembrance**.

**Leviticus 26:40-45** *“But if they confess their own and their fathers’ iniquity in their treachery which they committed against Me—and also that because they walked contrary to Me I also walked contrary to them and brought them into the land of their enemies—if then their **uncircumcised hearts are humbled** and they then **accept the punishment for their iniquity**, Then will I [earnestly] remember My covenant with Jacob, My covenant with Isaac, and My covenant with Abraham, and [earnestly] remember the land. But the land shall be left behind them and shall enjoy its sabbaths while it lies desolate without them; and they shall accept the punishment for their sins and make amends because they despised and rejected My ordinances and their soul scorned and rejected My statutes. And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not spurn and cast them away, neither will I despise and abhor them to destroy them utterly and to break My covenant with them, for I am the Lord their God. But I will for their sake [earnestly] remember the covenant with their forefathers whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God. I am the Lord.”*

**Feasts (Shabbat, Purim, Passover, Pentecost, Feast of Trumpets, Feast of Tabernacles and Festival of Lights, etc:**

**Leviticus 23:1-2** *“THE LORD said to Moses, Say to the Israelites, The **set feasts or appointed Seasons of the Lord** which you shall proclaim as **Holy Convocations**, even **My set Feasts**, are these.”*

**Leviticus 23:4** *“These are the **set feasts** or appointed Seasons of the Lord, holy convocations you shall proclaim at their stated times:”*

## The Connection between the Covenant, the Lane and the City Jerusalem and the Feasts

**Exodus 34:24** *“For I will cast out the nations before you and enlarge your borders; neither shall any man desire [and molest] your land when you go up to appear before the Lord your God **three times in the year.**”*

We are called to keep God’s Feasts ... each feast is a sacrifice / remembrance of a partial fulfillment of the Covenantal terms by God.

Specifically the **Feast of Shavuot** is a **rededication of the time** when we each accepted God and the Torah (WORD) and became a mutually dependent partner with God in a mission to impact this world. This is where the people of God responded by saying “*we will hear and we will do*”, i.e. they made a covenant.

- **By prayer and sacrifice.**

**Psalms 50:5** *“Gather together to Me My saints [those who have found grace in My sight], those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice.”*



Here, God categorises believers by calling apart the saints who made Covenant with Him by **sacrifices**. In other words, there are certain saints who made Covenant with God and are walking in Covenant relationship with Him while others just operate a casual relationship with God. God never deals with man seriously except through Covenants. All the dealings of God with man are usually legal.

**His dealings are based on certain terms, agreements, and responsibilities.** God deals with man only when there is a **contract** between Him and the man. There is no way God can commit Himself to use you, do you favour, bless or heal you without a legal backing for agreement. That **legal agreement** and/or contract is what we call a Covenant.

Many believers suffer **untold hardships** ... dying untimely deaths, accidents, etc. They do not have an understanding of what it means to have and walk in covenant relationship with the Lord.

Because of this the devil capitalizes on their ignorance to torment and harass them. They pray, fast, quote the Bible, but nothing happens, because many of them do not understand that every year and every month, God's children must either renew / re-instate the existing covenant.

Every child of God ought to have his or her covenant with the Almighty God renewed/re-instated on a **regular basis**.

# Blessing of the Covenant

## The Blessings of Life

God has made a lot of promises in the Bible, from **Genesis** to **Revelation** to give us LIFE, to make sure we don't die before our time, etc.

**Psalms 91:16** *“With long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation.”*

**Psalm 90:10** *“The days of our years are threescore years and ten (seventy years)—or even, if by reason of strength, fourscore years (eighty years); yet is their pride [in additional years] only labor and sorrow, for it is soon gone, and we fly away.”*

**Job 5:26** *“You shall come to your grave in ripe old age, and as a shock of grain goes up [to the threshing floor] in its season.”*

One of the goals of the enemy is to cut short your life and terminate it before the appropriate time.

**John 10:10** *“The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows).”*

**John 10:10** indicates that death is an enemy. But Jesus conquered it on the cross and gave us victory over him.

**11 Timothy 1:9–10** *“9 [For it is He] Who delivered and saved us and called us with a calling in itself holy and leading to holiness [to a life of consecration, a vocation of holiness]; [He did it] not because of anything of merit that we have done, but because of and to further His own purpose and grace (unmerited favor) which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began [eternal ages ago]. [It is that purpose and grace] which He now has made known and has fully disclosed and made real [to us] through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, Who annulled death and made it of no effect and brought life and immortality (immunity from eternal death) to light through the Gospel.”*

**Hebrews 2:9** *“But we are able to see Jesus, Who was ranked lower than the angels for a little while, crowned with glory and honor because of His having suffered death, in order that by the grace (unmerited favor) of God [to us sinners] He might experience death for every individual person.”*

**Hebrews 2:14, 15** *“Since, therefore, [these His] children share in flesh and blood [in the physical nature of human beings], He [Himself] in a similar manner partook of the same [nature], that by [going through] death He might bring to nought and make of no effect him who had the power of death—that is, the devil—And also that He might deliver and completely set free all those who through the [haunting] fear of death were held in bondage throughout the whole course of their lives.”*

You can live out your entire life span, free from all forms of untimely death. You can live to be an old man full of days and wealth, if Jesus carries.

- Pray for long life and divine prosperity.
- Pray that God will satisfy you with long life.

**Psalm 91:16** *“With long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation.”*

- Pray for deliverance from every power of death and doom
- Pray that God will **redeem** you from the **power of death**, doom and the sword.

**Job 5:20** *“In famine He will redeem you from death, and in war from the power of the sword.”*

- Pray that you will not die, but live to declare the Works of the Lord in the land of the living.

**Psalm 118:17** *“I shall not die but live, and shall declare the works and recount the illustrious acts of the Lord.”*

- Pray that God will guard your life jealously with His angels.
- Pray that you will not lose your young, i.e. that your children will live.

**Exodus 23:26** *“None shall lose her young by miscarriage or be barren in your land; I will fulfill the number of your days.”*

- Pray that you will be fruitful and prosperous.
- Pray against **barrenness** in any and every area of your life.
- **Ask for the grace to keep the Commandments of God** and **walk in obedience** to His Word.
- **Ask for the grace** to speak and think righteously.

**1 Peter 3:10** *“For let him who wants to enjoy life and see good days [good—whether apparent or not] keep his tongue free from evil and his lips from guile (treachery, deceit).”*

## The Blessing of Victory

**Genesis 22:17** *“In blessing I will bless you and in multiplying I will multiply your descendants like the stars of the heavens and like the sand on the seashore. And your Seed (Heir) will **possess the gate** of His enemies,”*

**1 John 5:4** *“For whatever is born of God is **victorious over the world**; and this is the **victory** that conquers the world, even our faith.”*

**1 John 4:4** "Little children, you are of God [you belong to Him] and have [already] **defeated** and **overcome** them [the agents of the antichrist], because He Who lives in you is **greater** (mightier) than he who is in the world."

- Death is swallowed up in victory. Pray for victory over death and all his demons and power.



**1 Corinthians 15:54** " And when this perishable puts on the imperishable and this that was capable of dying puts on freedom from death, then shall be fulfilled the Scripture that says, Death is swallowed up (utterly vanquished forever) in and unto victory."

- Pray that God will make all your enemies to turn their back and flee.
- Pray that every enemy of your life will stumble and fall in Jesus Name.

**Psalms 27:2** "When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell."

- Pray that God will make you to be above only and not beneath
- Pray that God will bless them that bless you and curse them that curse you. (**Remember:** Our warfare is not against flesh and blood.)
- Pray that God will make you more than a conqueror in Christ Jesus.

**1 Corinthians 15:57** “but thanks be to God, who **giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**”

**Romans 8:37** “Yet amid all these things we are more than conquerors and gain a surpassing victory through Him Who loved us.”

- Pray that as you trample upon serpents and scorpions, they will be unable to harm you.
- Receive the grace to walk in victory in every area of your life.
- Pray that God will make you the head and not the tail.

**Romans 5:17** “For if because of one man’s trespass (lapse, offense) death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive [God’s] overflowing grace (unmerited favor) and the **free gift of righteousness** [putting them into right standing with Himself] **reign as kings in life** through the one Man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).”

- Pray that God will set you on high and honour you.

## The Blessing of Protection

**Psalms 91:1** “HE WHO dwells in the **secret place** of the Most High shall remain **stable** and **fixed** under the **shadow** of the Almighty [Whose power no foe can withstand].”

**Numbers 23:23** “Surely there is **no enchantment with or against Jacob**, neither is there **any divination** with or against Israel. [In due season and even] now it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, *What has God wrought!*”

**Isaiah 54:16-17** “**But no weapon that is formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall show to be in the wrong.** This [peace, righteousness, security, triumph over opposition] is the **heritage** of the servants of the Lord [those in whom the ideal Servant of the Lord is reproduced]; this is the **righteousness** or the **vindication** which they obtain from Me [this is that which I impart to them as their justification], says the Lord.”

- Come against the **fear** of the enemy.
- Decree that:
  - the terror of the night
  - the arrow of the day
  - the pestilence of darkness and
  - the destruction of the noon-day shall not be your portion.

**Psalms 91:5-6** “You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night, nor of the arrow (the evil plots and slanders of the wicked) that flies by day, Nor of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the destruction and sudden death that surprise and lay waste at noonday.”

- Pray that no evil shall befall you and that no plague shall come near your dwelling place
- Pray that the wrath of God shall be upon every enemy of your life.
- Pray that no divination nor enchantment of hell will work against your life and family

**Number 23:23** “Surely there is no enchantment with or against Jacob, neither is there any divination with or against Israel. [In due season and even] now it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, What has God wrought!”

- **Pray that no weapon that is formed or fashioned against you will ever prosper.**

**Isaiah 54:17** “But **no weapon** that is formed against you **shall prosper**, and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall show to be in the wrong. This [peace, righteousness, security, triumph over opposition] is the **heritage** of the servants of the Lord [those in whom the ideal Servant of the Lord is reproduced]; this is the **righteousness** or the **vindication** which they obtain from Me [this is that which I impart to them as their justification], says the Lord.”

- **Pray for divine cover of the Glory of God upon you that the storm of the world will not trouble your dwelling place.**

**Isaiah 4:5–6** “And the Lord will create over the whole site, over every dwelling place of Mount Zion and over her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for over all the glory shall be a **canopy** (a defense of divine love and protection). And there shall be a **pavilion for shade in the daytime** from the heat, and for a place of refuge and a **shelter from storm and from rain.**”

- **Pray that the Name of the Lord will be a strong hiding place for you in the day and night.**

**Proverbs 18:10** “The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the [consistently] righteous man [upright and in right standing with God] runs into it and is safe, high [above evil] and strong.”

- **Pray for divine protection from false allegations and accusations.**

**Job 5:21** “You shall be hidden from the **scourge of the tongue**, neither shall you be afraid of destruction when it comes.”

## The Blessing of Healing and Health

**Isaiah 53:5** “But He was **wounded for our transgressions**, He was **bruised for our guilt and iniquities**; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace and well-being for us was upon Him, and with the **stripes** [that wounded] Him **we are healed** and made whole.”

**Psalms 107:20** “He sends forth **His Word** and **Heals** them and **Rescues** them from the pit and destruction.”



**Romans 8:11** “And if the Spirit of Him Who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, [then] He Who raised up Christ Jesus from the dead will also **restore to life** your mortal (short-lived, perishable) bodies through His Spirit Who dwells in you.”

**Exodus 15:26** “Saying, If you will diligently **hearken** to the voice of the Lord your God and will do what is right in His sight, and will **listen** to and **obey His Commandments** and **keep all His Statutes**, I will put none of the **diseases** upon you which I brought upon the Egyptians, for I am the Lord Who heals you.”

**Exodus 23:25** “You shall **serve** the Lord your God; He shall **Bless** your **bread and water**, and I will take **sickness** from your midst.”

It is God's will for you to be **perfectly healed** of any ailment and to remain healthy throughout the year.

- Pray that the Lord will prosper you physically. That you will enjoy divine health.

**3 John 1:2** *Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as [I know] your soul keeps well and prospers."*

- Decree unto all the diseases of Egypt to depart from your body.

**Exodus 15:26** *"Saying, If you will diligently **hearken** to the voice of the Lord your God and will **do** what is right in His sight, and will **listen** to and obey His commandments and **keep** all His Statutes, I will put none of the **diseases** upon you which I brought upon the Egyptians, for I am the Lord Who heals you."*

**Exodus 23:25** *"You shall serve the Lord your God; He shall bless your bread and water, and I will **take sickness from your midst.**"*

- Pray that by the stripes of Jesus Christ, **no affliction will have any right** to your body.

**Isaiah 53:4-5** *"Surely He has **borne our griefs** (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and **carried our sorrows and pains** [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy]. But He was **wounded for our transgressions**, He was **bruised for our guilt and iniquities**; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace and well-being for us was upon Him, and with the **stripes** [that wounded] Him **we are healed and made whole.**"*

**1 Peter 2:24** *"He personally bore our sins in His [own] body on the tree [as on an altar and offered Himself on it], that we might die (cease to exist) to sin and live to righteousness. **By His wounds you have been healed.**"*

- **Specifically mention any ailment in your body by name and command it to depart in Jesus Name.**

**Matthew 18:18** *"Truly I tell you, whatever you forbid and declare to be improper and unlawful on earth must be what is already forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit and declare proper and lawful on earth must be what is already permitted in heaven."*

- Ask the Holy Spirit to quicken your mortal body and make you healthy, strong and free from diseases and, sicknesses.

**Romans 8:2** *"For the law of the Spirit of life [which is] in Christ Jesus [the law of our new being] has freed me from the law of sin and of death."*

**Romans 8:11** *"And if the Spirit of Him Who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, [then] He Who raised up Christ Jesus from the dead will also **restore to life your mortal (short-lived, perishable) bodies** through His Spirit Who dwells in you."*

- Re-affirm that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, therefore no stranger- spirit of sickness, diseases, infirmity should dwell there i.e sickness, disease, infirmities are illegal tenants. Decree to them to depart in Jesus Name. Terminate their tenancy and violently give them notice in Jesus Name.

Say this ... ***"Father, I believe what Your Word says about my health. Because I am Your child, I am a candidate for Your healing power. I receive sound health from this moment. I break the power of sickness and disease in my life. From this moment, I enter in to the covenant blessing of healing and perfect health with You. Preserve my life from all sicknesses throughout this year and all the days of my life. I will not spend my money and resources in hospital but in Your House and to Your glory. I enter into this covenant blessing in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen."***

## The Blessing of Provision and Abundance

***Philippians 4:19*** "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

***Psalm 27:3-5*** "Though a host encamp against me, **my heart shall not fear**; though war arise against me, [even then] **in this will I be confident**. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek, inquire for, and [insistently] require: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord [in His presence] all the days of my life, to behold and gaze upon the beauty [the sweet attractiveness and the delightful loveliness] of the Lord and to meditate, consider, and inquire in His temple. For **in the day of trouble He will hide me** in His shelter; in the **secret place of His tent** will He hide me; He will set me high upon a rock."

- Thank God. for all He has been providing for you all these days, how He has sustained you and your family last year.
- Thank God because you **know** He does not want you to continue in poverty.

***Psalm 35:27*** "Let those who favor my righteous cause and have pleasure in my uprightness shout for joy and be glad and say continually, Let the Lord be magnified, **Who takes pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.**"

- Come against all evil spirits that have been responsible for your financial failures and destroy their operations in your life, home and business.
- Ask the Lord to make this year a year of financial breakthrough for you. That all the financial miracles you missed last year must be re-instated now.

***Psalm 84:11*** "For the Lord God is a Sun and Shield; the Lord bestows [present] grace and favor and [future] glory (honor, splendor, and heavenly bliss)! **No good thing will He withhold** from those who walk uprightly."

- Tell the Lord that you refuse to beg or borrow from henceforth, ask if He shall provide for all your needs according to His riches in glory.
- **Ask God to give you power to produce wealth.**

**Deuteronomy 8:18** "But you shall [earnestly] remember the Lord your God, for it is **He Who gives you power to get wealth**, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day."

Pray this prayer: "Lord, thank You because it is Your pleasure that I should prosper. You have made a provision for my prosperity in Your Word. Today, as a descendant of Abraham by faith in Christ, I enter into a covenant blessing of abundance and prosperity. I revoke every curse of poverty operating in my life. I enter into a covenant blessing of prosperity with You, Father, today, in the Name, of Jesus Christ. From now on I ask You to begin to supply all my needs according to Your riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Amen."

## The Blessing of Grace and Pardon

**Hebrews 4:16** "Let us then **fearlessly and confidently and boldly** draw near to the throne of Grace (the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may **receive mercy** [for our failures] and **find grace** to help in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it]."

**Zechariah 4:6** "Then he said to me, This [addition of the bowl to the candlestick, causing it to yield a ceaseless supply of oil from the olive trees] is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel, saying, **Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit** [of Whom the oil is a symbol], says the Lord of hosts."



**II Corinthians 12:9** “But He said to me, **My Grace** (My Favor and Loving Kindness and **Mercy**) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for **My Strength** and **Power** are made perfect (fulfilled and completed) and show themselves most effective in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses and infirmities, that the strength and power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me!”

**Hebrews 8:12** “For I will be **merciful** and **gracious** toward their sins and I will remember their deeds of unrighteousness no more.”

**1 John 2:1** “MY LITTLE children, I write you these things so that you may not violate God’s law and sin. But if anyone should sin, we have an **Advocate** (One Who will intercede for us) with the Father—[it is] **Jesus Christ** [the all] righteous [upright, just, Who conforms to the **Father’s Will** in every purpose, thought, and action].”

## The Blessing of Grace and Favour

- **Ask for the Grace of God for holy living and to remain in the faith.**

**Titus 2:11-14** “For the grace of God (His unmerited favor and blessing) has come forward (appeared) for the deliverance from sin and the eternal salvation for all mankind. 12 It has trained us to reject and renounce all ungodliness (irreligion) and worldly (passionate) desires, to live discreet (temperate, self-controlled), upright, devout (spiritually whole) lives in this present world, Awaiting and looking for the [fulfillment, the realization of our] blessed hope, even the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Christ Jesus (the Messiah, the Anointed One), Who gave Himself on our behalf that He might redeem us (purchase our freedom) from all iniquity and **purify for Himself a people** [to be peculiarly His own, people who are] eager and enthusiastic about [living a life that is good and filled with] beneficial deeds.”

**1 Timothy 4:1–2** “BUT THE [Holy] Spirit distinctly and expressly declares that in latter times some will turn away from the faith, giving attention to deluding and seducing spirits and doctrines that demons teach, Through the hypocrisy and pretensions of liars whose consciences are seared (cauterized),”

**2 Timothy 4:3** “For the time is coming when [people] will not tolerate (endure) sound and wholesome instruction, but, having ears itching [for something pleasing and gratifying], they will gather to themselves one teacher after another to a considerable number, chosen to satisfy their own liking and to foster the errors they hold,”

- **Ask for Grace of God for satisfaction in life.**

**2 Corinthians 9:8** “And God is able to make **all grace** (every favor and earthly blessing) **come to you in abundance**, so that you may **always** and **under all circumstances** and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation].”

- **Ask for Grace in time of temptation.**

**2 Corinthians 12:9** “But He said to me, **My Grace** (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) **is enough for you** [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for **My Strength and Power** are **made perfect** (fulfilled and completed) and show themselves most effective in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses and infirmities, that the strength and power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me!”

- **As for God’s Favour**

**Psalms 23:6** “Surely or only **goodness, mercy, and unfailing love** shall follow me all the days of my life, and through the length of my days the house of the Lord [and His presence] shall be my dwelling place.”

**Psalms 5:12** “For You, Lord, will bless the [uncompromisingly] righteous [him who is upright and in right standing with You]; **as with a shield You will surround him with goodwill (pleasure and favor).**”

**Romans 9:16** “So then [God’s gift] is not a question of human will and human effort, but of **God’s Mercy**. [It depends not on one’s own willingness nor on his strenuous exertion as in running a race, but on God’s having mercy on him.]”

- **Ask for favour in place of work.**

**Genesis 39:21** “But the Lord was with Joseph, and showed him mercy and loving-kindness and **gave him favor** in the sight of the warden of the prison.”

- **Ask for the Grace of God’s Ever Presence**

**Exodus 33:12–14** “Moses said to the Lord, See, You say to me, Bring up this people, but You have not let me know whom You will send with me. Yet You said, I know you by name and you have also found favor in My sight. Now therefore, I pray You, if I have found favor in Your sight, show me now Your way, that I may know You [progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with You, perceiving and recognizing and understanding more strongly and clearly] and **that I may find favor in Your sight**. And [Lord, do] consider that this nation is Your people. And the Lord said, **My Presence shall go with you**, and I will give you rest.”

- Receive divine favour for contract awards, job provision and examination and interview success.
- Pray that men will compete to show you favour. Ask that you will never get a “no” from people from hence forth.

## **Covenant Prayer**

***"Father, I thank You that Your grace is abundantly available to me in Your Word. Because I have received the grace of salvation through Your Son, Jesus, I now enter with You into the abundance of Your grace. My life is no longer mine but Yours. I depend on Your grace and favour. Let Your grace be sufficiently available in every area of my life and in every situation. Let Your grace preserve my life, let Your grace sustain me from failing. Let me find Your favour in every area of my life. I seal the blessing of this covenant today with the Blood of Jesus, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."***

**AMEN!!**



## The Blessing of Favour

It is possible for you as a child of God that wherever you turn, the door of life opens for you. A lot of people experience disfavour wherever they go; it is always “NO” wherever they turn.

When God begins to make such people understand the covenant of divine favour and they begin to activate it, entering into it consciously, they will begin to experience divine favours everywhere.

**Psalms 103:1-5** *“BLESS (AFFECTIONATELY, gratefully praise) the Lord, O my soul; and all that is [deepest] within me, bless His holy name! Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, O my soul, and forget not [one of] all His benefits—Who **forgives** [every one of] all your iniquities, Who **heals** [each one of] all your diseases, Who **redeems** your life from the pit and corruption, Who **beautifies, dignifies, and crowns** you with loving-kindness and tender mercy; Who **satisfies** your mouth [your necessity and desire at your personal age and situation] with good so that your youth, renewed, is like the eagle’s [strong, overcoming, soaring]!”*

There is an invisible crown you can wear on your head, an invisible crown of loving kindness and tender mercies.

**Psalms 44:1-3** *“WE HAVE heard with our ears, O God; our fathers have told us [what] work You did in their days, in the days of old. You drove out the nations with Your hand and it was Your power that gave [Israel] a home by rooting out the [heathen] peoples, but [Israel] You spread out. For they got not the land [of Canaan] in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them; but **Your right hand** and **Your arm** and the light of Your countenance [did it], because You were **favorable** toward and did delight in them.”*

The Israelites did not get their land by fighting, using their bows and arrows. They got the land by God’s Mighty Hand. Who can explain how seven giant nations were successfully confronted and defeated by a small Israel? There was a covenant blessing of favour upon them.

Some people do not understand the mystery of life. It is not how much you run around or how much you sweat or toil that brings the success, money or progress, but it is the **Favour** of our Father God.

**Ecclesiastes 9:11** *“I returned and saw under the sun that the race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong, neither is bread to the wise nor riches to men of intelligence and understanding nor favor to men of skill; but time and chance happen to them all.”*

**Romans 9:9-10** *“For this is what the promise said, About this time [next year] will I return and Sarah shall have a son. And not only that, but this too: Rebecca conceived [two sons under exactly the same circumstances] by our forefather Isaac,*

**Romans 9:11-13** *And the children were yet unborn and had so far done nothing either good or evil.” Even so, in order further to **carry out God’s purpose of selection** (election, choice), which depends not on works or what men can do, but on Him Who calls [them],” It was said to her that **the elder [son] should serve the younger [son]**. As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated (held in relative disregard in comparison with My feeling for Jacob).”*

According to His grace and favour, He told their mother that the older shall serve the younger.

**Romans 9:14-16** *“What shall we conclude then? Is there injustice upon God’s part? Certainly not! 15 For He says to Moses, I will have **mercy** on whom I will have mercy and I will have compassion (pity) on whom I will have compassion. 16 So then [God’s gift] is not a question of human will and human effort, but of God’s mercy. [It depends not on one’s own willingness nor on his strenuous exertion as in running a race, but on God’s **having mercy on him.**]”*

## Entering and Walking in the Covenant

- **Ask God to forgive your sins and cleanse you in the Blood of Jesus**

**Acts 3:19** *“So **repent** (change your mind and purpose); turn around and return [to God], that your sins may be erased (blotted out, wiped clean), that times of refreshing (of recovering from the effects of heat, of reviving with fresh air) may come from the presence of the Lord;”*

- **Ask God for the Grace to be sensitive and obedient to the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.**

**Isaiah 1:19** *“If you are **willing and obedient**, you shall eat the good of the land;”*

**Job 36:11** *“If they **obey and serve Him**, they shall spend their days in prosperity and their years in pleasantness and joy.”*

- **As for the Grace to live by faith.**

**Hebrews 11:6** *“But without faith it is impossible to please and be satisfactory to Him. For whoever would come near to God must [necessarily] believe that God exists and that **He is the rewarder of those who earnestly and diligently seek Him [out].”***

- **Thank the Lord daily** for His goodness and mercies.

**Thessalonians 5:16–18** “Be happy [in your faith] and rejoice and be glad-hearted continually (always); Be unceasing in prayer [praying perseveringly]; **Thank [God] in everything** [no matter what the circumstances may be, be thankful and give thanks], for this is the will of God for you [who are] in Christ Jesus [the Revealer and Mediator of that will].”

- **Rebuke and reject the spirit of fear and anxiety.** Receive the spirit of love, of power and of a sound mind.

**Philippians 4:6–7** “Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with **thanksgiving**, continue to make your wants known to God. And **God’s Peace** [shall be yours, that tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so **fearing nothing** from God and being content with its earthly lot of whatever sort that is, that peace] which transcends all understanding shall garrison and mount **guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.**”

**2 Timothy 1:7** “For God did not give us a spirit of **timidity** (of cowardice, of craven and cringing and fawning fear), but [He has given us a spirit] of **power and of love and of calm and well-balanced mind and discipline and self-control.**”

# Prayers

## The Covenant Prayer

Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your Word. I thank You for the privilege of Knowing You. Today, I bind my life with You in a covenant relationship. I enter by faith into these sevenfold blessings.

- ❖ **A Blessing of Life:** I shall not die but live to declare the wondrous works of the Lord.
- ❖ **A Blessing of Protection:** I am hid in the secret place of the Most High, under the Shadow of the Almighty. The enemy cannot touch me at all.
- ❖ **A Blessing of Victory:** The Lord shall cause my enemies that rise up against me to flee before me. They shall rise up against me in one way and flee before me seven ways.
- ❖ **A Blessing of Healing and Health:** The Lord is my life my portion, my health and wealth and the strength of my life. Jehovah-Rapha is my God.
- ❖ **A Blessing of Provision and Abundance:** My God shall supply all my needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
- ❖ **A Blessing of Grace:** The Lord, shall deliver me from every evil work and preserve me unto His eternal kingdom.
- ❖ **A Blessing of Favour:** I am accepted in the Beloved. Therefore, goodness and mercies shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in the House of the Lord for ever.

Father, I know You are faithful to Your Covenant. Give me the grace to be faithful to You all the days of my life. I know I am covered by Your Covenant, all the days of my life, **myself and my children** ... I, my children and children's children to the thousandth generation. Thank You Father. I pray in Jesus Almighty Name.

## AMEN!

Believe it is done and begin to **live** and **behave** as a covenanted child.

NB. Do not forget to instantly **activate** your covenant by raising a bold and courageous prayer to God in time of trouble. Remember also to daily **service** your covenant with God by **daily prayer, praise** and **worship**. Be ever conscious of this: you are now included in the Divine Covenant - The Abrahamic Covenant, the Messianic and your personal covenant with God.

## HALLELUJAH!!!



# Dealing with General, Personal and Family Curses & Demonic Covenants

**Scriptures to Stand Upon: Isaiah 28: 4-19; Isaiah 10:27; Numbers 23:23; Matthew 15:13; Galatians 3:13; Hebrews 8:7-13.**

Father, I come before You in the Name of Jesus and I ask You to help me deal with my family curses and demonic covenants. Thank You for the Blood of Jesus that has the final Word in my life and for giving me power and authority over all the works of darkness.

In the Name of Jesus, we break the **demonic seals** over my life and bind and rebuke the **sealing demons** keeping all demonic covenants in place over my life and the lives of my loved ones. We ask You Father, to assign Your warring angels to remove every evil spirit and to place them under the Feet of Jesus according to **Psalms 110:1**.

We renounce, reject and break every **evil covenant** on my life in the Name of Jesus.

We reject and loose myself from **every evil curse** in the Name of Jesus.

We break **every covenant** between me and any evil spirit in the Almighty Name of Jesus.

All contracts made **on my behalf by my parents** with any **evil mediator** is hereby nullified and cancelled in the Almighty Name of Jesus. I am now a child of God. I dissociate myself from such covenants and contracts in the Name of Jesus.

We apply the Blood of Jesus upon any **evil covenant** and **curse** upon my life. Let this Blood of the Everlasting Covenant destroy and dissolve any **blood covenant with the dead and the living** in the Almighty Name of Jesus.

In the Name of Jesus, We nullify every **confession, agreement, promise** or **oath** I have made to the devil or any evil spirit in the past – whether verbal or written.

We revoke all curses **pronounced by evil people** over my life in the Name of Jesus.

We break and cancel every **evil mark** and **incision** on **my body** as a result of covenant with an evil spirit in the Almighty name of Jesus.

We command all evil spirits in my life associated with **any curse** or **covenant** to leave me now in Jesus Name!

By the authority of Jesus my Lord, we render to naught **every curse** coming from the following in the Almighty Name of Jesus.

In the Name of Jesus, we **destroy every altar** that has been erected anywhere to **service** any form of **covenants** and **curses** emanating from:

- Evil **dedication before conception**, while **in the womb** and at the naming ceremony;
- Handling of **cursed objects**;
- Contact with **satanic agents**;
- Living in a **cursed home or land**;

- **Being born** in/on a satanic altar/shrine;
- **Drinking of blood** or **unholy water**;
- Receiving **strange money** or **cursed gifts**;
- Involvement in a **demonic ritual**;
- Involvement in **witchcraft** and other **ancestral sins**;
- Participation in village, compound and township **satanic festivals**.

We command all evil spirits associated with any curse to leave me now in Jesus Name. We take authority over curses from **evil dedication, handling of cursed objects, contact with satanic agents, living in a cursed house or land, being born in/on a satanic altar, drinking of blood or unholy water, strange money or cursed gifts, partaking in food and blood sacrifice** to idols and **performing demonic, rituals ancestral sins, witchcraft, curses and spiritual ignorance**. We command all of you to be broken right now in Jesus Name. We **speak disunity between all the priests** at those altars of affliction in the Name of Jesus.

All you ancient gates and everlasting doors shut against my life, lift up your heads now for me to enter into my divinely given **inheritance** in the Almighty Name of Jesus.

Lord, in Your Name and by faith in Your Word, I enter into my **inheritance** and **possess** my possessions.

We destroy **every evil covenant** and **initiation** made with me through **dreams** in the Name of Jesus.

Every agreement reached with the so-called **spirit husband** and **spirit wife** in my dream is nullified in the Name of Jesus.

We break myself loose from every **personal** and **collective curse and covenant** in the Name of Jesus.

We revoke and destroy by the Blood of Jesus **every blood and soul-tie covenant** attached to **any satanic agent** in the Name of Jesus.

We cancel every **foundational covenant** that is affecting my life or any **new covenant, oath, allegiance** and **obligations** made for me or by me consciously or unconsciously in the Almighty Name of Jesus Christ.

I release myself from any **collective captivity of family**, community and neighbourhood in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I receive a clean break and release from **all yokes and burdens** other than those of Jesus Christ.

I immerse myself body, soul and spirit in the precious Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I release myself in the Name of Jesus from the sin and curses from **paternal and maternal** sides up to **ten generations** of both sides in the Almighty Name of Jesus.

Father, send now Your fire, thunder and lightning to destroy and burn into ashes all **satanic materials** deposited in any part of my body in the Name of Jesus!

We cancel by the Blood of Jesus Christ all **handwritings** and **ordinances** written against me and contrary to me now.

We command that the thunder and lightning of God should **strike, uproot** and **destroy** all **covenant tokens** made on my behalf wherever they may be **buried, immersed** or **hung** in the Name of Jesus Christ.

We bind, and cast out of me spirits of:

- failure,
- servitude,
- defeat,
- depression,
- stagnation,
- affliction,
- death,
- delayed blessing,
- limitations,
- confusion,
- frustration,
- rejection, fear and
- doubt – in Jesus Name.

I am an individual single person, I am not a **twin** or **triplet**, and therefore I disown **any form** of **duplicate** representing me. I reject and cut myself loose from any representation that was made of me, in Jesus Name.

We command the thunder and lightning of God to break into pieces and burn to ashes all forms of **imagery, effigy, symbols, pictures** and **statues** representing my person at any **shrine** or **altar** in Jesus Almighty Name.

We reverse all satanic arrows of *failure at the edge of success* and breakthrough, in Jesus Name and change all curses into blessings.

We cut off all **spiritual umbilical cords** through which evil has been flowing into my life, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Father, I thank You for making me victorious over all my enemies. From hence forth no weapon formed against me as a result of former covenants and curses shall prosper in the Name of Jesus. My profiting in the Kingdom of Jesus Christ shall appear unto all, in Jesus' Name.

**AMEN!**

## Dealing with Covenants that have to do with our Names

NAMES are very significant. The names we bear whether the ones given to us or our family names can affect our lives positively or negatively.

Your name is your **social** and **spiritual identity**. Every name carries a **positive** or a **negative anointing**. The anointing on your name is triggered off each time you are called by that name. Your name goes a long way in determining your **destiny**. Names that glorify satan, deities, idols and tradition provoke God and bring His wrath on the bearer.

People give names according to their **beliefs**. Names are an expression of our **faith**. When one is named after the Lord, it is like putting a **Stamp of God** on the child. In the same way, when we are given names associated with the family or community idols, we are attached to the spirits of these idols, and no evil spirit has a good plan for its patrons and their generations.

Friend, find out the meaning of your names. We advise that you change immediately any name glorifying an idol or the devil. Renounce the spirits behind the name, and revoke all the demonic covenants attached to these names.

### Prayer Strategy

- Find out the meaning of those names and why the names were given.
- Anoint your **forehead** and **navel** as you break off the power behind your former names (navel – entry point in the spirit for generational demons).

### Scriptures to Study for the Prayers:

***Exodus 23:13; Deuteronomy 7:25-26; 1 Chronicles 4: 9-10; Genesis 17:5-6; 32:24-30; Psalm 16:4; Joshua 23:7; Isaiah 62: 2***

My Lord God Almighty, I thank You for You have made me Your child. I am named after You.

Lord, I repent before you for my long-term ignorance about the effects of the name I bear.

Father, forgive me for indirectly provoking You by bearing idol names.

I confess and acknowledge that You are my Maker, Healer, Blessor, Protector, Deliverer, Supplier, Defender, Redeemer and Strengthener. No idol or god can do all these for me. It's only You.

Right now I immerse myself and my destiny in the Blood of Jesus to be purged of every **idolatrous contaminations** and **defilements** that have come on me because of my name(s).

My life and destiny receive a complete cleansing right now in Jesus Name.

In the Name of Jesus, we break the **demonic seals** over my name and we bind and rebuke the **sealing demons** assigned to keep any **demonic structures** in place over my life.

From now, We renounce all the idolatrous **names** attached to me and my family.

We renounce all the **idols** attached to these names.

In the spirit realm, we cancel all the **ancestral covenants** attached to the name \_\_\_\_\_ (mention the name).

We have no dealing with you spirit of \_\_\_\_\_ (mention the idol).

All you spirits behind this name, get out of my life, in the Name of Jesus.

We refuse to be under your control and influence any longer. We place you under the Feet of the Lord Jesus Christ according to **Psalm 110:1**.

As we nullify the power of these evil names I take on a new name (mention it and prophesy on it). As my name is attached to God, to **success** and **prosperity** in the Lord's Kingdom, it shall be well with me in the Name of Jesus.

Let the fire of the Holy Spirit consume any seal, stamp or label of evil that was attached to my former name marking me in the spirit in the Name of Jesus Christ!

I receive now the **Seal of the Holy Spirit** upon me in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**AMEN!**

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