



"This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast" - Hebrews 6:19

**Welcome! We're glad you are here!**  
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# The New Testament Replaced the Old Testament

by Troy Spradlin

I have yet to truly figure out why so many people have such difficulty discerning the differences between the Old and New Testaments. More specifically, I don't understand why they cannot see that Christians are not subject to the Old Law. Just recently, a young woman read one of my articles about the differences between them and very kindly, but bluntly stated, "The New Testament wasn't to replace the Old Testament and doesn't make the laws of the Old Testament not valid." To be perfectly honest, my heart hurts deeply for people who (in my own speculation) have been so indoctrinated with false teaching that they cannot see the plain truth, that the Old Law has been abrogated.

The New Testament is literally, a *new agreement*, which replaced the old agreement, or covenant. Jesus instituted this new covenant in Matthew 26:28, stating, "For this is My blood of the *new covenant*, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." The writer of Hebrews later clarifies, saying that, "In speaking of a new covenant, **he makes the first one obsolete.** ..." (Hebrews 8:13, ESV) Paul also illustrates it this way, "God wiped out the charges that were against us for disobeying the Law of Moses. He took them away and **nailed them to the cross.**" (Colossians 2:14, CEV) Those verses make it rather obvious that the Old Testament has expired. I honestly do not know how it could be more explicitly stated.

Contrast Between the Old Testament and the New Testament		
Old Testament	400+ Silent Years	New Testament
LONGING ..... Job 23:3	CHRIST Bridges the Two Testaments	REALIZATION ..... John 1:45
CREATOR ..... Genesis 1:1		REDEEMER ..... Galatians 3:13
MAJESTIC GOD ..... Exodus 19:18		OUR FATHER ..... Matthew 6:9
FIRST THINGS ..... Genesis 1:1		LAST THINGS ..... 2 Peter 3:10
SPIRITUAL DARKNESS ..... Psalm 82:5		RIISING SUN ..... John 8:12
SATAN'S VICTORY ..... Genesis 3:6		SATAN'S DEFEAT ..... Revelation 20:10
SIN'S CURSE ..... Genesis 3:17-19		SIN'S REMEDY ..... John 3:16
DEATH REIGNED ..... Genesis 3:19		LIFE ETERNAL ..... John 5:24
BLOODY SACRIFICES ..... Exodus 12:3-		CHRIST, THE LAMB ..... John 1:29
BONDAGE ..... Proverbs 5:22		LIBERTY ..... Romans 8:2
LAW ..... Exodus 20:1-17		GOSPEL ..... Romans 1:16
TYPES AND SHADOWS ..... Hebrews 8:5		SUBSTANCE ..... Hebrews 10:34
OUTWARD CEREMONIES ..... Hebrews 9:10		INWARD EXPERIENCE ..... Luke 24:32
THE LETTER ..... Romans 7:6		THE SPIRIT ..... Galatians 5:5
PROPHECY ..... Isaiah 11:1-2		FULFILLMENT ..... Acts 3:18-19
EXPECTED MESSIAH ..... Malachi 3:1		OUR SAVIOUR ..... Luke 2:11
PARADISE LOST ..... Genesis 3:23		PARADISE REGAINED ..... Revelation 22:14

The Old Testament is called the "Old Law" or, is often equated with being the "Law of Moses" (Deut 31:9; Josh 8:31; Luke 24:44). Christians are not under the Law of Moses, they are now subject to the "law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). In both Galatians and Hebrews, more explanation is given about how the New Covenant is "better" than the old one (cf. Gal 3:15-29; Heb 7:22, 8:6, & 12:24). So, in simple terms, the Old Testament was for the Hebrews (the children of Israel) and the New Testament is for Christians (Ex 34:27).

All of this means that, yes, the New Testament *does* indeed replace the Old Testament and nullifies all of its laws and precepts. The only "law" that is in affect today is the New Testament. This also indicates that it is erroneous to go back to the Old Law for justification

of some religious practice brought over into Christian worship or lifestyle. While Judaism was similar, it is not the same as Christianity. One simply cannot appeal to the Old Testament for approval of any religious practice.

Think of it this way, it's like a contract, or a rental agreement for an apartment. I once had a contract, or agreement with a landlord that I would pay him a certain amount of money for the use of his property, an apartment. It had a balcony, a BBQ grill and utilities that were included in the rent. But the landlord died. His son became owner and decided to sell the property. His son had another property in another part of town available for rent. So, I signed a new contract with him for the new apartment. This new apartment did not have a balcony, a grill, nor utilities included. Can I appeal to that old rental contract and help myself to the balcony and BBQ grill in the old place? Of course not! The other contract is invalid, no longer in affect! And most people understand that without question. The Old Testament is the same. You can not go back there and use the things that were part of that old agreement.

Lastly, if the Old Testament was still valid, then that would mean two systems of atonement would exist. It would cheapen, or minimize the sacrifice that Jesus made on the cross! What purpose did His blood serve, if the blood of bulls and goats was still required as a sacrifice for sin? (Heb 9:13-14, 10:4) What a tragedy that would be!

# YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

## 2023 Camp Dates

Teen Week (6-12 grades):  
June 11 - 16

Jr. Week (1-5 grades):  
June 25 - 29

Early Bird Registration  
Deadline: April 15



## Jr. Week Volunteers

Any parent or adult wishing to attend Junior Week as a Counselor, or High School Student as a Junior Counselor, please see Casey to get your name on the list.

Junior Week is June 25 - 29.

There will be a preliminary staff meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup> @ the Spanish Fort church from 3 - 6 pm. Dinner will be provided.



## Gulf Coast Area Wide @ Spanish Fort

April 23

Small Groups @ 3:30, Worship @ 4:30, Meal @ 5:30  
Bus will depart @ 2:15 & return at 7:15



## SNAC SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER CHURCH

May 7 | Bird's

## YOUTH FUN DAY

May 6 @ Cannon's



## LEGACY AT FAULKNER UNIVERSITY

Sign up & pay by May 7<sup>th</sup>

JULY 20TH-23RD, 2023

## Graduation Banquet Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> Informational Meeting - April 26<sup>th</sup>

"How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes! With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth. In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word." - Psalm 119:9-1

# CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

## Special

- Patricia Ann\* - prayers, health (MZL)
- Janice Carter\* - tests, waiting on results
- Gifford family - loss of Jean (former members)
- Lauren Kreis (Martin family) - prayers
- Linda Loftin and family - loss of Jim\*
- Eddie Longmire\* - loss of brother, Sam
- Donald McGriff\* - surgery/recovery
- Collin Mense - health (Pat Mense\*)
- Greg Smith\* family - loss of foster son
- Springer family - loss of Kayla (Scenic Hills)
- Jan Whitney\* - heart procedure, recovery
- Andrea Wilson\* - knee surgery, recovery

## 2023 Recently Baptized / Restored / Identified

- Brittany Parker\* - Baptized
- Dawson Hitchcock - Baptized
- Olivia Gingerich - Baptized
- Lanie Scott\* - Baptized
- Terry & Judy Jennings - Identified
- Josh & Stephanie Jennings - Identified
- Laura Oliver\* - Identified

## Mission Works

- Shanahans\* - Mission Italy
- Eliezer Perez - San Lorenzo, Paraguay
- Trevor Smoot - Domestic Missions
- Sebastain Garcia - Brazil
- SRC Correctional Institute - Paul Discher

## Students in College

- Seth Crider
- Stephen English
- Caitlyn Frizzell
- Jackson Lash
- Caleb Owens
- Nick Webb
- Reed Wilson
- Lexi Wildes

## Other Requests / Health Issues

- Gerry Baldwin - health (J.Pace sister)
- Sharon Ates - recovery (Gallagher\*)
- Bob Black - health (Lipford\*)
- John & Gale Broadfoot - health (past member)
- Winston Burnham\* - health
- Sherryn Canniff\* - health, pain
- Sherry Davis\* - health
- Fatima Deem - pregnant, problems (Nunes)
- Keturah Dickey - MS (K. Longmire\*)
- Laura Elliot - (S. Lee\* mom)
- Myrna Fuller\* - pulmonary fibrosis
- Steve Fulton - pain, health difficulties
- Dixie Gorham
- Daphne Hamilton - surgeries, health
- Edwina Harris - health (J.Pace sister)
- Barbara Helms\* - health
- Chris Hollis - (McGriff)
- Kenna Jackson - (Kristina P's\* friend)
- Marcia Jones - (Kenya's\* friend)
- Yvonne Loomis - prayers, health (Nunes\*)
- Cindy Marotta - paralyzed (Nunes\*)
- Vicente Martinez - kidney transplant
- Mary McGriff\* - health, asthma
- Ron Miller - esophagus infection (Ina Ruth\*)
- Jeffery Norman - lung transplant list (Nunes\*)
- Patsy Prince - (Burnham\*)
- Otis & Eleanor Pollit - (Gallagher\*)
- Kara Ritchie - blood disorder (M.Scott\*)
- Glenn Rose - heart problems (Garcia\*)
- August Eugene Smith - cleft palate (J.English\*)
- Zylar Thompson - rescheduled surgery
- Julia Torpey\* - health
- Jan Whitney\*

## Military

- Nick Bartell - Ft. Walton Beach
- John Bartell - Washington, DC
- Spencer England - Japan
- Spencer Gable - New London, Groton, CT
- Amya Huey\* - Italy
- Ni Mack - Kentucky
- Byron Solomon - San Diego

## Cancer

- Kandi Armand - (Bostwick\*)
- Justin Barnhart - former member
- Ron Bartanen\* - cancer
- Darlene Baxley\* - spread to her spine (Baxley\*)
- Misty Bray\* - (Bird\*)
- Mark Carlson - (C.Davis\*)
- Tish Clark - surgery (Hatcher\*)
- Pat Deforest\*
- Brenda Dunham - (J.English\*)
- Eddie English - (R.English\*)
- Timothy Ezzell - former member
- Chris Hendrix - (Baxley\*)
- Ricky Jenning - (McGriff\*)
- Lisa (Dixon) Johnson - (McGriff\*)
- Tierney Lancaster - rare blood (Baxley\*)
- Marie and Jeff Lorentz - (J. Bartell\*)
- Peter Machon - (Torpey\*)
- Darrel Mason - (D.Hill\*)
- Keith Pabst - (Webb\*)
- Karen Parker - (Spradlin\* friend)
- Karen Pollit - (Gallagher\*)
- Megan Sanders - brain cancer (Blisse\*)
- Kevin Shanahan - operation (Scott's\* dad)
- Al Sherdan - bladder/prostatic cancer (Coen)
- Brooks Ann Singley\* - good news!
- Mary Lee Smith - (McGriff\*)
- Marlene Smith - (Fulton\*)
- Donnie Turner - cancer (Helms\*)
- Reynold Voeltz - (Boughton's friend)
- David Walther - brain (English\*)
- Kellie (Wiggins) Ward - (former mem.)
- Daisy Jean Williams - (J.Pace)

## Assisted Living / Shut-Ins / Rehab

- Sherryn Canniff - homebound
- Josie Coons - hospice (McReynolds\*)
- Donna Dudley - Life Care Center (S. Davis\*)
- Annie Favorite - Haven (Mary Lou's mom)
- Bobbie Garcia\* - Arcadia Senior Living
- Betty Lee - homebound (D. Lee's mom\*)
- Linda Mann\* - Shut In
- Ina Ruth Miller\* - Grandview Retire Center
- Ruth Phillips\* - Shut In
- Jim Pitts - Daphne, AL
- Lillian Raines\* - Victorian Manor
- Mary Salinas\* - Victorian Manor
- Faye Smith (Jeanna's mom) - Shut In
- Troy Vonada\* - Sodalis House, Hospice

## Ladies Reconnect Weekend

Whenever you Choose  
to Plant Yourself.

Have any Questions?

# Bloom

September  
22nd - 24th

Meeting TODAY  
after AM  
Services

(PAYMENTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE)



# SERVING WITH HONOR

## SUNDAY, APRIL 23

### MORNING

Opening Prayer ..... Chris Davis  
 Song Director ..... Mason Chandler  
 Sermon ..... Troy Spradlin  
 ..... "Grace Upon Grace"  
 Scripture Reading ..... Jake Newcomb  
 ..... John 1:14-17  
 Closing Prayer ..... Phillip Webb

### Serving Communion:

Comments ..... Jake Armstrong  
 Brody Crider ..... Luke McReynolds  
 Dakota Boughton ..... Gabriel Lee  
 ..... Trevor Bostwick

### EVENING

Opening Prayer ..... Stephen Fulton  
 Singing ..... Mason Chandler  
 Scripture ..... Luke McReynolds  
 ..... John 4:25-30  
 Comments ..... Jake Armstrong

### Worship Service and Preparation:

Communion Prep ..... Fisher family  
 PowerPoint ..... Lori Mense  
 Greeters: ..... John Pace  
 Secure Building ..... Jeff Scott

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Director ..... Rick Bird  
 Opening Prayer ..... Joe Wilson

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:

Sunday Bible Class ..... 155  
 AM Worship ..... 204  
 PM Worship ..... 107  
 Wed. Night Bible Class ..... 137  
 Contribution ..... \$10,820

### TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday AM Bible Class ..... 9:00 am  
 Sunday AM Worship ..... 10:00 am  
 Sunday PM Classes, Worship ... 6:00 pm  
 Wednesday PM Bible Class ..... 6:30 pm

## Visitors:

### Thank you for coming!

#### You are our honored guest!

For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience.

Or, ask any member for assistance.

**Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!**

## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ADMINISTRATION

- Deadline for all bulletin items is Thursday, by noon.



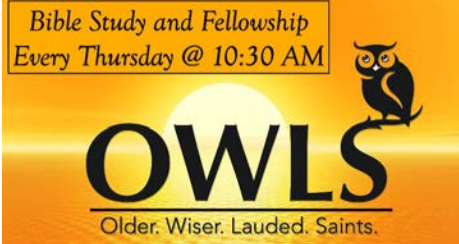
**FOOD PANTRY**

Food Pickup : 5/9 @ 9:30 AM  
 Preparing Boxes: 5/11 @ 9:30 AM  
 Distribution : 5/11 @ 2:30 PM

Please consider donating travel size toiletries!!

### EDUCATION

- Adult and Children Bible classes available on Sundays @ 9 AM and Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM.
- Willing to teach? See Chris Davis!



Bible Study and Fellowship  
 Every Thursday @ 10:30 AM

**OWLS**  
 Older. Wiser. Lauded. Saints.

### WORSHIP

- Service Rosters are available on the Welcome Desk and Margaret Street website (listed under "Archives")
- "LISTEN" devices available in the foyer, located in the Armoire.

<WiFi Password posted in Foyer>



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 Evangelism ..... Troy Spradlin  
 Finance .....  
 Fellowship ..... Jeff Scott\*  
 OWLS ..... Stephen Fulton  
 Involvement ..... Joe Taylor\*  
 Lads to Leaders ..... David English  
 Missions ..... Mike Scott\*  
 Visitation ..... Bob Locklin  
 Youth & Family ..... Casey Bearden  
 Worship ..... Blake Hatcher\*