

# Ministers of the New Covenant

## 2 Corinthians 3:1-6

**Main Idea:** Ministers of the new covenant receive their commendation and competency from God.

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- *<sup>1</sup> Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you? <sup>2</sup> You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. <sup>3</sup> And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.*
  - 2 Corinthians 10:18

Ministers of the new covenant receive their competency from God.

- *<sup>4</sup> Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. <sup>5</sup> Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, <sup>6</sup> who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.*
  - Jeremiah 31:31-33
  - 2 Corinthians 5:17

**So What?**

- As a Christian, do I realize that I am a minister of the new covenant?
  - 2 Corinthians 5:18