

DIGGING DEEPER

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SUNDAY RECAP

Sunday was the finale of our series, **Covenant God**, exploring the covenants found throughout Scripture. Sunday's focus was on **God's covenant ultimately fulfilled through Jesus Christ**. Before starting the questions with your group, invite God to reveal Himself through His Word and by His Spirit during your discussion.

OPTIONAL ICEBREAKERS

• What's your favorite comfort food or drink when the weather gets cooler?

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- 1. Consider the 5 observations about the New Covenant from Sunday's message. Which one resonated with you and share why:
 - Jesus establishes and secures the new covenant with his life, death and resurrection. (Luke 22:20)
 - Jesus fulfills all the Law and Prophets (Matt 5:17)
 - Jesus establishes a covenant of grace through faith (Eph 2:8-9)
 - Because of the work of christ, the Spirit writes the law on our hearts (Jer 31, Ez 36, 2 Cor 3:6)
 - The 'Jesus covenant' secures our pardon and provides access to new, full, everlasting life (Hebrew 10)
- 2. The new covenant is a **gift**, not earned. How does that change the way you view your relationship with God? (Luke 22:20; Ephesians 2:8-9)
- 3. God promises to write His law on our hearts and give us a new spirit. How does that make obedience different than simply following rules? (Jeremiah 31:33; Ezekiel 36:26-27)
- 4. In what ways do you see God transforming your heart and empowering you to live for Him today?
- 5. How can you live as an ambassador of reconciliation and grace this week? (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)
- 6. What's one way you've experienced God's faithfulness or guidance recently that reminds you He is keeping His covenant with you?

Consider this entire **Covenant God** series. What is one takeaway for you?

GROUP PRAYER TIME: Share any personal requests before praying together.



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RESOURCES referenced in this series:

- The Bible Project <u>Covenant Video</u> (bibleproject.com/videos/covenants)
- Miracles C.S.Lewis
- The Knowledge of the Holy A.W. Tozer
- Tim Keller's sermon "covenant relationships"
- Commentaries John H. Walton
- What is Covenant Theology? Ryan M. McGraw
- Not the Way It's Supposed to Be Cornelius Plantinga Jr.
- Understanding Genesis Nahum M. Sarna

MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE: Fair Oaks Church Sermon Podcast (Apple Podcasts & Spotify) to listen to just the message. Check out **Cutting Room Floor** episodes that further unpack sermons and insights from preachers.

WHAT'S NEXT: *Living Consecrated* - This 5-week series invites us to consider what it looks like to live set apart, specifically in how we use power, honor our bodies, steward money, and cultivate gratitude.

UPCOMING EVENTS Learn more at fairoaks.church/events

- Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Available in lobby Bring back filled boxes by or before 11/9 (Church will be collection site Nov 17-24)
- 10/25: **Trunk or Treat** | 6-7:30p | Front parking lot | Sign up to help online
- 11/2: **Congregational Meeting** | 11:45a | Voting on church officers | Details at fairoaks. church/events
- 11/6 **WFO Women's Brunch** | 9:30-11:30a | Speaker: Linda Lawrence from FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)
- 11/8: **WFO Craft Fair** | 9a-2p | Family Life Center | Volunteers Needed Sign up at fairoaks. church/events
- 11/9: Missions Trip Interest Meeting La Esperanza, Mexico | 11:45a | AMC
- 11/9: **Thanksgiving Food Drive** | Bring items to church lobby
- 11/9: Moms Group/Clothing Swap | Details and RSVP at fairoaks.church/events

