

September 2026 Theme: The Kingdom Prophesied (Isaiah–Jeremiah–Lamentations)

Message Title: “The New Covenant Kingdom - The Law Written Upon the Heart”

Main Text: Jeremiah 31:31–34 (KJV)

Supporting Scriptures: Ezekiel 36:26–27; Hebrews 8:6–13; Hebrews 10:15–17; Luke 22:20; John 3:3–6; Romans 8:1–4

Introduction: The Kingdom That Changes the Heart

Throughout Scripture, God’s desire has always been to establish a Kingdom where His people do not merely obey His commands outwardly, but where His nature and will are written inwardly. The prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel looked beyond Israel’s failure, exile, and broken covenant relationship and saw a coming day when God would establish a better covenant through His promised King.

Jeremiah ministered during one of Israel’s darkest seasons. Jerusalem was facing destruction, the temple would be destroyed, and the people would be carried into Babylonian captivity because they repeatedly broke God’s covenant. Yet, in the middle of judgment, God revealed hope:

“Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah.” Jeremiah 31:31 (KJV)

The New Covenant was not merely a repaired version of the old covenant. It was a divine transformation where God would move His law from stone tablets into human hearts.

The Old Covenant revealed God’s standard but exposed humanity’s inability to perfectly fulfill it. The New Covenant provides a new heart, a new spirit, and the indwelling presence of God through Jesus Christ.

The Kingdom of God is not only about a future kingdom we enter; it is about a present transformation where the King reigns within us.

Jesus declared:

“This cup is the New Testament in my blood, which is shed for you.” Luke 22:20 (KJV)

At the cross, Christ established the covenant Jeremiah prophesied.

The question is not only: “Do we know God’s Word?” but “Has God written His Word upon our hearts?”

Message Structure:

The New Covenant Kingdom - Heart Transformation Through the King

1. The Covenant Promised - God Reveals a Better Relationship

(Jeremiah 31:31–32)

“Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers...” Jeremiah 31:32 (KJV)

The first covenant was holy and righteous, but humanity failed to keep it.

God says:

“My covenant they brake...” Jeremiah 31:32 (KJV)

Israel had:

- God’s commandments but rebellious hearts.
- God’s promises but divided loyalty.
- Religious activity but spiritual disobedience.

The problem was never God’s law; the problem was mankind’s sinful heart.

The prophet Jeremiah revealed that God’s answer would not simply be external correction but internal transformation.

The Old Covenant:

- Written on tablets of stone.
- Obedience motivated primarily by external commands.
- Sacrifices repeated because sin remained.

The New Covenant:

- Written upon the heart.
- Obedience flows from love and relationship.
- Christ’s sacrifice permanently deals with sin.

Hebrews explains:

“For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.” Hebrews 8:7 (KJV)

The New Covenant Kingdom begins when God restores the broken relationship between Himself and humanity.

Kingdom Principle:

God does not merely want changed behaviour; He desires a changed heart.

2. The Covenant Placed - God Writes His Will Within His People

(Jeremiah 31:33)

“But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel... I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts...” Jeremiah 31:33 (KJV)

The greatest promise of the New Covenant is not simply forgiveness; it is transformation.

God moves His law:

From tablets → to hearts

From information → to revelation

From obligation → to devotion

A person can know Scripture intellectually and still resist God spiritually.

The Pharisees knew the Law, quoted Scripture, and practiced religion, yet Jesus said:

“This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.” Matthew 15:8 (KJV)

The Kingdom requires more than religious knowledge. The King desires surrendered hearts.

Paul describes this transformation:

“Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men.” 2 Corinthians 3:2 (KJV)

The evidence of the New Covenant is not merely what we say we believe but what our lives reveal.

The Holy Spirit Produces:

- A new desire for righteousness.
- A hatred for sin.
- A love for God's presence.
- A willingness to obey.

Ezekiel prophesied:

“A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you...” Ezekiel 36:26 (KJV)

Kingdom Principle:

The King does not only command His people; He transforms His people.

3. The Covenant Personalised - God Restores Knowing and Belonging

(Jeremiah 31:34)

“And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour... saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me...” Jeremiah 31:34 (KJV)

The New Covenant introduces personal relationship with God.

God's desire has always been:

- Not merely people who know about Him.
- But people who truly know Him.

The greatest blessing of the Kingdom is not possessions, influence, or earthly success.

The greatest blessing is knowing the King.

Jesus said:

“And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.” John 17:3 (KJV)

The New Covenant brings:

1. Forgiveness of Sin

“For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.” Jeremiah 31:34 (KJV)

2. Fellowship With God

“I will be their God, and they shall be my people.” Jeremiah 31:33 (KJV)

3. Freedom Through Christ

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus...” Romans 8:1 (KJV)

The Kingdom is established when people move from knowing religious principles to walking in covenant relationship with the King.

Kingdom Principle:

The greatest evidence of the New Covenant is not religious activity but intimate relationship with God.

Conclusion: Become a New Covenant Kingdom People

Jeremiah’s prophecy points directly to Jesus Christ.

Jesus is:

- The Mediator of the New Covenant.
- The King who establishes the Kingdom.
- The Lamb whose blood secures forgiveness.
- The Lord who writes His law upon our hearts.

Hebrews declares:

“But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant...” Hebrews 8:6 (KJV)

The New Covenant Kingdom calls us to move:

From external religion → internal transformation.

From knowing about God → knowing God.

From human effort → Holy Spirit empowerment.

From brokenness → covenant restoration.

The question every person must answer:

Has the King written His law upon your heart?

A person can attend worship, carry a Bible, and know Christian language, yet still need the transforming work of the Holy Spirit.

Today, Christ invites us into covenant relationship.

7 Prayer Points With Scripture References

1. Prayer for a New Heart

“Lord, remove every hardened place in my heart and give me a heart that loves You completely.”

Scripture:

“A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you.” Ezekiel 36:26

2. Prayer for Covenant Relationship With God

“Father, help me know You deeply, not just know about You.”

Scripture:

“And they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them.” Jeremiah 31:34

3. Prayer for the Word to Transform My Life

“Lord, write Your Word upon my heart and make me obedient to Your ways.”

Scripture:

“I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts.” Jeremiah 31:33

4. Prayer for Freedom From Sin and Condemnation

“Jesus, let the power of Your covenant blood bring freedom and victory over sin.”

Scripture:

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus.” Romans 8:1

5. Prayer for the Holy Spirit’s Guidance

“Holy Spirit, lead me to walk according to God’s Kingdom purposes.”

Scripture:

“And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes.” Ezekiel 36:27

6. Prayer for Kingdom Transformation in the Church

“Lord, make Your Church a people who reflect Your covenant, character, and compassion.”

Scripture:

“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation...” 1 Peter 2:9

7. Prayer of Total Consecration to Christ the King

“Lord Jesus, reign completely in my heart, my home, and my life.”

Scripture:

“Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.” Matthew 6:10

Final Declaration

“We are not merely people waiting for the Kingdom; through Christ, we are a covenant people carrying the Kingdom. The King has written His Word upon our hearts, forgiven our sins, and called us to live as His representatives on earth.”