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COVENANT



The right word
changes everything.

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“Words are singularly the most powerful force available to humanity. We can choose to use this force constructively with words of encouragement or destructively using words of despair. **Words have energy and power** with the ability to help to heal to hinder to hurt to harm to humiliate and to humble.”

Yehuda Berg



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eros

**“romantic
love”**



philia

**“Brotherly
Love”**

agape

“Serving Love”

“A bond to bless one another til death”

Kindness

Faithfulness

Mercy

Loyalty

Peace

Friendship

Steadfast Love

Lamentations 3:22-24

Because of the Lord's
faithful love
we do not perish,
for His mercies never end.
They are new every
morning;

great is Your faithfulness!
I say: The Lord is my
portion,
therefore I will put my
hope in Him.

Lamentations 3:19-24

Remember my affliction and
my homelessness,
the wormwood and the poison.

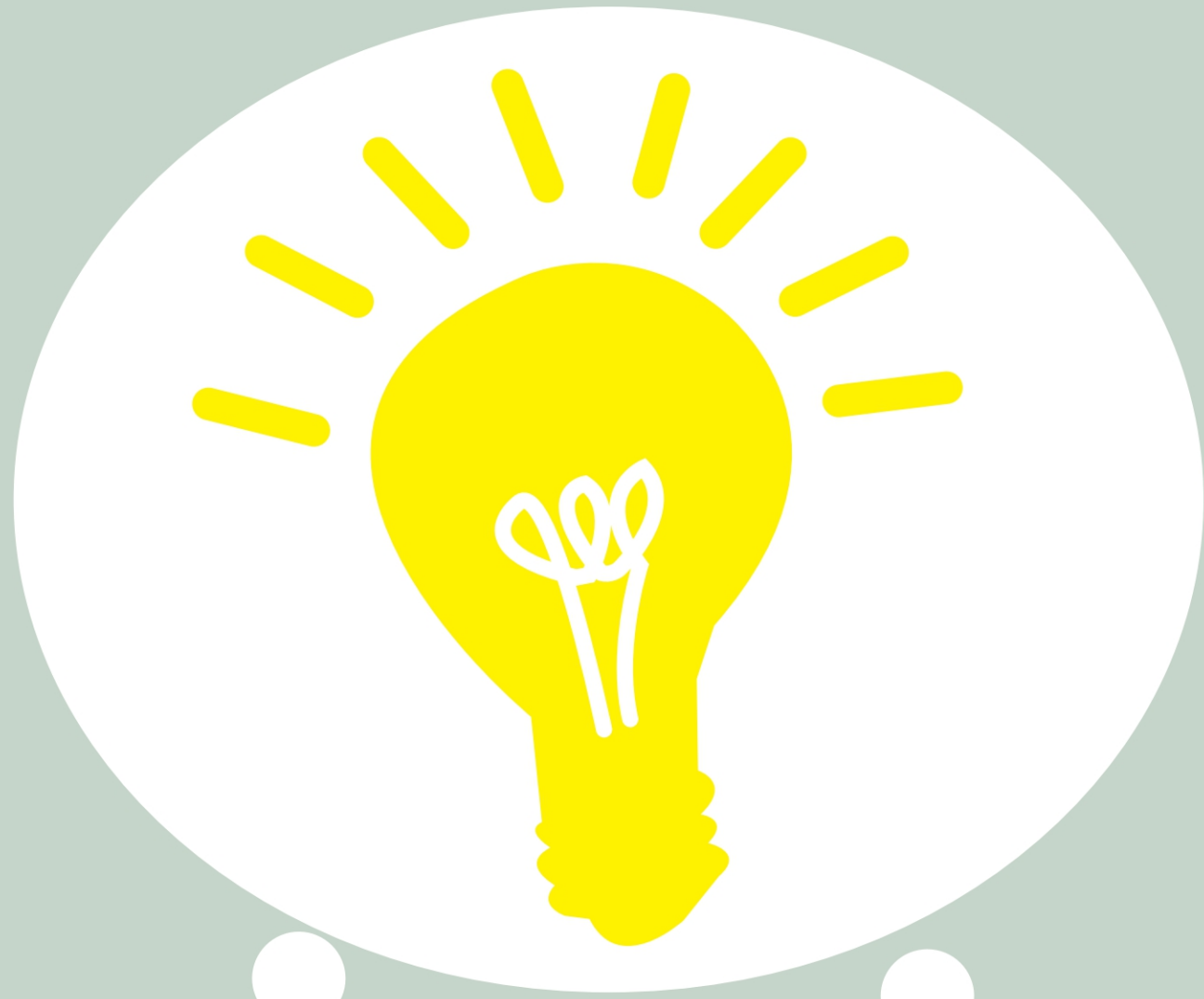
I continually **remember** them
and have become depressed.

Yet I call this to mind,
and therefore I have hope:

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“And He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, gave it to them, and said, “This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”

Luke 22:19

The background features a textured, parchment-like surface. In the upper right, two hands are shown in a light, sketchy style, one holding a scroll. In the lower left, a quill pen is depicted in a similar light, sketchy style.

How does **remembrance**
support a covenant?

Genesis 5:29

And he named him Noah, saying,
**“This one will bring us relief from
the agonizing labor of our hands,
caused by the ground the Lord has
cursed.”**

Genesis 6:8-9

“Noah, however, found favor in the sight of the Lord. These are the family records of Noah. Noah was a **righteous man, blameless among his contemporaries; Noah walked with God.**”

Genesis 6:17

“Understand that I am bringing a flood — floodwaters on the earth to destroy every creature under heaven with the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will die.

1 Peter 4:4

So they are surprised that you don't plunge with them into the same flood of wild living — and they slander you.

Genesis 6:18

“But I will establish My covenant with you, and you will enter the ark with your sons, your wife, and your sons’ wives.”

Genesis 8:1

“God remembered Noah, as well as all the wildlife and all the livestock that were with him in the ark. God caused a wind to pass over the earth, and the water began to subside.”

Noah remembers God

Genesis 8:18-22

He took some of every kind of clean animal and every kind of clean bird and **offered burnt offerings** on the altar. When the Lord smelled the pleasing aroma...

We remember God

Romans 12:1-3

Therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.



God establishes a covenant
easy to **remember.**

Genesis 8:21 - 9:17

Genesis 8:21-22

When the Lord smelled the pleasing aroma, He said to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground because of man, even though man's inclination is evil from his youth. And I will never again strike down every living thing as I have done.

As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night will not cease."

Genesis 9:11

I confirm My covenant with you that never again will every creature be wiped out by the waters of a flood; there will never again be a flood to destroy the earth.”

Genesis 9:12

And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between Me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all future generations: I have placed My bow in the clouds, and it will be a sign of the covenant between Me and the earth.



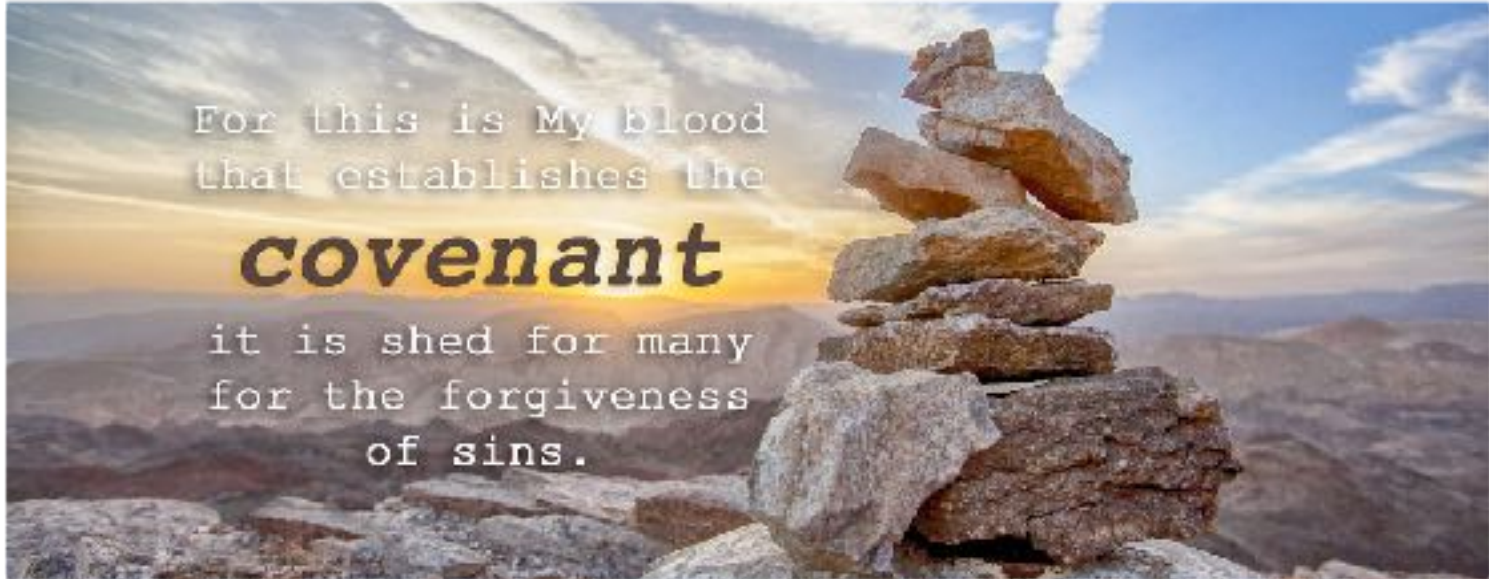


**‘Don’t be
encumbered
by history.
Go off and do
something
wonderful.’**

Robert Noyce (1927 – 1990), founder of Intel

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For this is My blood
that establishes the

covenant

it is shed for many
for the forgiveness
of sins.

Sermon Review

**A covenant is a bond in blood to
bless one another til death**

Key Scriptures:

- **Covenant language carries meaning**
 - Lamentations 3:19-24
- **Covenant is about remembering**
 - Genesis 8:1
 - Genesis 8:21-22
 - Genesis 9:12
- **Romans 12:1-3** - We have a way to remember

Key Questions:

1. How powerful is it to me that God actively remembers me and his promises?
2. How do I remember God's covenant? What are the specific actions of my "living sacrifice?"

Further Study

Complete Study of Flood Narrative:
Genesis 5:29 - 9:29

Study Flood/Noah Covenant In Bible:
Psalm 29
Isaiah 54
Matthew 24:36-44
1 Peter 3:18-22

D-Group

Start: Answer the Key Questions in the Sermon review

Read: Luke 6:46-49

- How does this passage speak to flood narrative?
- What does it teach us about applying the lessons learned from Noah?
- How does Jesus represent the answer to God's covenant with Noah?

Pray: Commit in prayer to a remembrance of God's covenant with us to save us before judgement.

Family Devotional

Read: Luke 22:19-20

This is where we get communion (take a moment to explain what communion is).

Jesus gives us bread and juice to remind us of his love to die on the cross so we can be close to God.

Challenge

Everyone think of a memory. Then act it out (bring it to remembrance) and have the rest of the family try and guess what that memory is (younger children may need a parent partner).

Review

Why is it so important for us to actively remember God?

What are some ways that we can remember God together?

Conclude

Pray and thank God for his covenant love that is new every morning. Sing "I Will Call Upon the Lord."