

# Why the New Covenant is Better Than The Old

- **Better Mediator**

The Old Covenant was mediated by Moses (a sinner). The New Covenant is mediated by Jesus Christ, the sinless Son of God and perfect High Priest.  
(Hebrews 8:6; 9:15; 12:24)

- **Better Law**

Old: Law written on stone tablets — external rules that people broke.  
New: God writes His laws on our hearts and minds — internal transformation and desire to obey.  
(Jeremiah 31:33; Hebrews 8:10; 2 Corinthians 3:3)

- **Better Relationship with God**

Old: Distant — only the high priest could enter God's presence once a year.  
New: Intimate access for every believer — "They shall all know Me, from the least to the greatest."  
(Jeremiah 31:34; Hebrews 4:16; 8:11)

- **Better Forgiveness**

Old: Temporary covering through repeated animal sacrifices — sins were remembered yearly.  
New: Complete and permanent forgiveness — sins are remembered no more.  
(Jeremiah 31:34; Hebrews 8:12; 10:17-18)

- **Better Power**

Old: Ministry of death and condemnation — reveals sin but cannot change us.  
New: Ministry of the Holy Spirit — gives life and empowers holy living.  
(2 Corinthians 3:6-9; Romans 8:1-4; Ezekiel 36:26-27)

- **Better Duration**

Old: Temporary and becoming obsolete.  
New: Eternal and unbreakable.  
(Hebrews 8:13; 13:20)

- **Better Scope**

Old: Primarily for the nation of Israel.  
New: Open to all who believe — Jew and Gentile alike.  
(Galatians 3:13-14, 29; Ephesians 2:11-22)

- **Better Sacrifice**

Old: Repeated, imperfect animal sacrifices.  
New: One perfect sacrifice of Jesus that perfects forever those who are sanctified.  
(Hebrews 9:11-15; 10:10-14)

