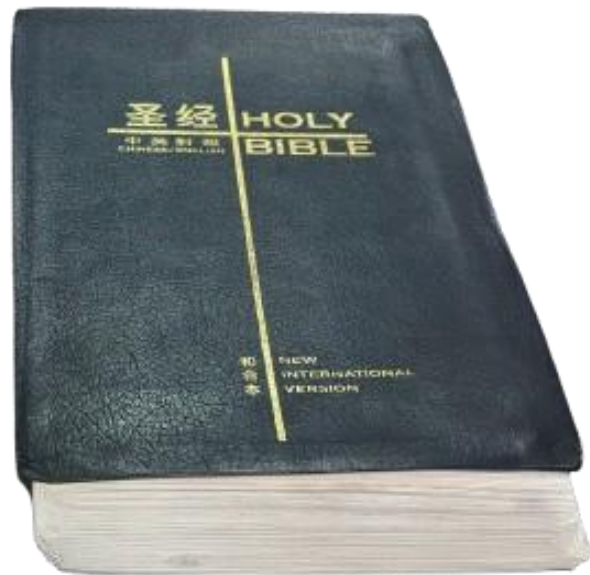


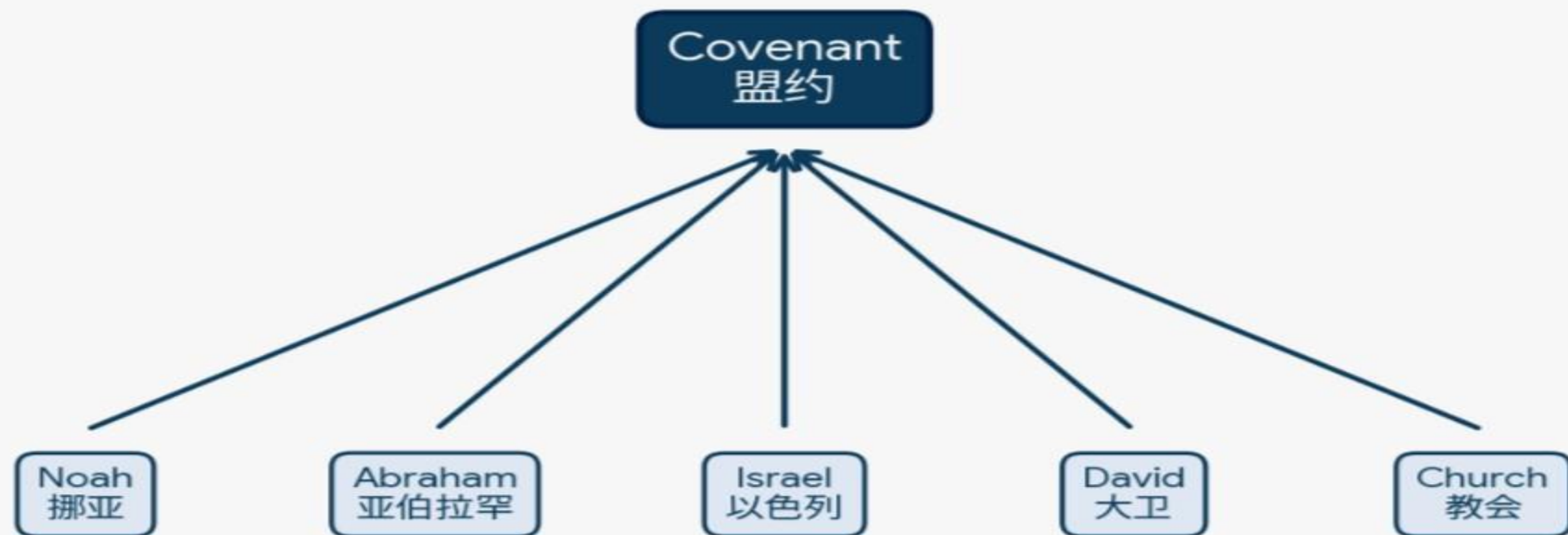
The Concept of Covenant 圣约的概念



The Bible Is a Big Book! 圣经是一本厚重的书



The Concept of Covenant in the Bible 圣经中的圣约概念



Our Topics Today 今天的主题

- 1) the importance of covenant 盟约的重要
- 2) the definition of covenant 盟约的定义
- 3) the making of a covenant 盟约的设立
- 4) the structure of a covenant 盟约的结构

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圣经的结构以盟约为前提

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Since God uses covenant as
the key structural device of salvation history,
to understand the Bible
we need to understand the concept of covenant

既然神将盟约作为救恩历史的关键结构部分,
要想了解圣经, 我们就需要理解盟约这一概念

Not Many Understand the Concept of Covenant

理解盟约这一概念的人不多



A Definition of Covenant 盟约的定义

ברית = covenant = 誓约

berit

is based on a binding promise
基于一项必须遵守的承诺

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promise + oath = covenant

承诺 + 誓言 = 誓约

A Definition of Covenant 盟约的定义



A **covenant** is a binding relational arrangement between at least two parties that involves at least one promise made under oath

盟约是宣誓作出承诺的一种双方或多方之间具有约束力的关系安排

The Making of a Covenant 盟约的设立



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“the men who transgressed my covenant and did not keep the terms of the covenant that they made before me, I will make them like the calf that they cut in two and whose parts they passed between”

“对于那些违背我的约，不遵行这约上话的人，我必使他们如同那只被他们劈开分成两半并从其中经过的牛犊一样”

Jeremiah 34:18 耶利米 34:18

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to make a covenant = to cut a covenant

设立盟约 = 割立盟约

切割

The Structure of a Covenant 盟约的结构

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The Structure of the New Covenant

新约的结构

parties 各方	God and the church 神与教会	God and the Christian 神与各基督徒
promise 承诺	eternal life 永生	eternal life 永生
condition 条件	faith 信心	faith 信心
penalty 处罚	eternal death 永死	eternal death 永死
result 结果	success 成功	?

God Considers Covenant Very Important!

神很重视圣约这一概念!



We should also consider covenant important

我们同样应该重视圣约这一概念