

Covenant Access -week 8

Covenant is based upon God's Unconditional Limitless love for us and expressed thru His mercy and grace towards us.

Better covenant, better promises

***We have access to: the presence of God
the promises of God
the power of God***

Access to the Father:

Hebrews 10:19-23 KJV **19** Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;
21 And having an high priest over the house of God;
22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.
23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

What is the therefore, there for? Lets back up to verse 17.

(Vs 17) And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

Therefore,

We can come boldly (with confidence) to the holiest, so what continues to hold us back?

One of the biggest things that holds us back is ourselves. We have to renew our minds daily and to take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. **Romans 12:2 , 2Corinthians 10:5**

We have **full** access to our heavenly father because of the new covenant. However, we continue to carry around with us our past and we continue to remind ourselves of not what God has done, but what we have done.

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James 4:8 KJV Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

God desires to have unbroken fellowship with us, just as He did with Adam before sin. His new covenant plan allows us to have that access to the father that He so desires.

We must have confidence.

1 John 3:19-22 KJV 9 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.

20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

AMP 19 By this we will know [without any doubt] that we are of the truth, and will assure our heart *and* quiet our conscience before Him **20** whenever our heart convicts us [in guilt]; for God is greater than our heart and He knows all things [nothing is hidden from Him because we are in His hands]. **21** Beloved, if our heart does not convict us [of guilt], we have confidence [complete assurance and boldness] before God; **22** and we receive from Him whatever we ask because we [carefully and consistently] keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight [habitually seeking to follow His plan for us].

What a plan!

1 John 5:14-15 AMP 14 This is the [remarkable degree of] confidence which we [as believers are entitled to] have before Him: that [c]if we ask anything according to His will, [that is, consistent with His plan and purpose] He hears us. **15** And if we know [for a fact, as indeed we do] that He hears *and* listens to us in whatever we ask, we [also] know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted to us] the requests which we have asked from Him.

Why do we need this access?