

## The Power of Covenant

### Scripture Reading — Exodus 6:1-12

*“I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.”*

—Exodus 6:7 —

In our congregation an elderly man said, “We used to hear a lot about covenant, but now we do not hear anything about covenant anymore.” That comment created a hunger in me to rediscover the way our intimate God works through his covenant promises.

The Bible is framed with the old and new covenants that God made with his people, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. So the entire Scriptures are permeated with covenant living. The heart of God’s covenant is captured in these words: “I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God.” God is united with his people in the context of his unending love.

Marriage is probably the closest human parallel to God’s covenant with us. Two people come together to become one, and they vow to remain faithfully together until death separates them.

God’s covenant partnership with us is truly remarkable, for how can an unholy people and a holy God come together? This is possible only through the cross of Jesus, by which we are reconciled to God. “God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God” (2 Corinthians 5:21). The covenant between God and humans is a reality through Jesus Christ, our Lord. In Christ, we belong to God!

### Prayer

*Father, we thank you that you are our God and we are your people. Thank you for providing a way back to your-self by giving of your Son on the cross for us. Amen.*

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