

Hebrews 12:18-29



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You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, because they could not bear what was commanded: “If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death.” The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, “I am trembling with fear.”

But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.” The words “once more” indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our “God is a consuming fire.”

“Jesus the mediator of a new covenant”

Covenant = Agreement

“If you will do this, I will do that”



The Old Covenant

Between God & Israel

Conditional & national

Obey God's laws

Worship God alone

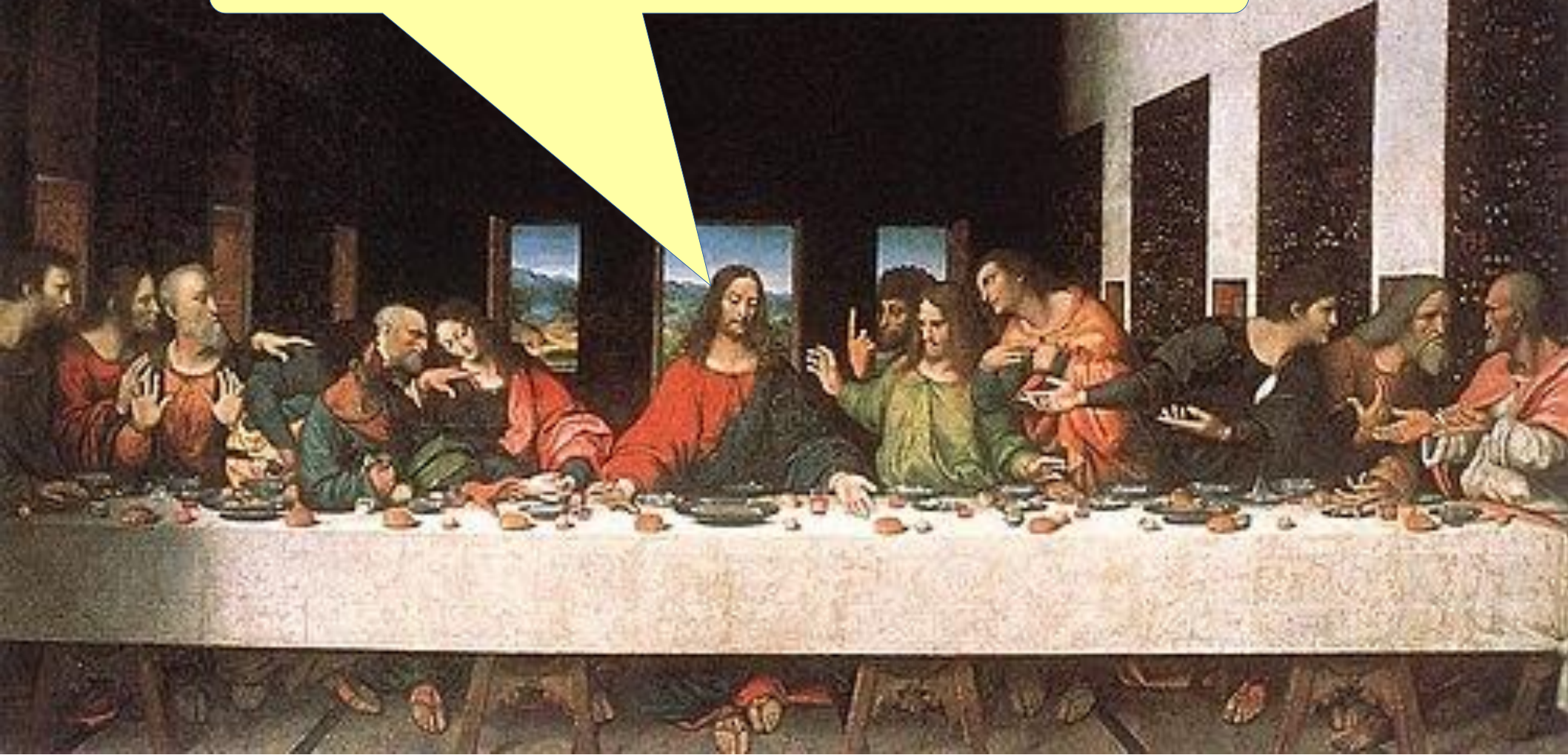
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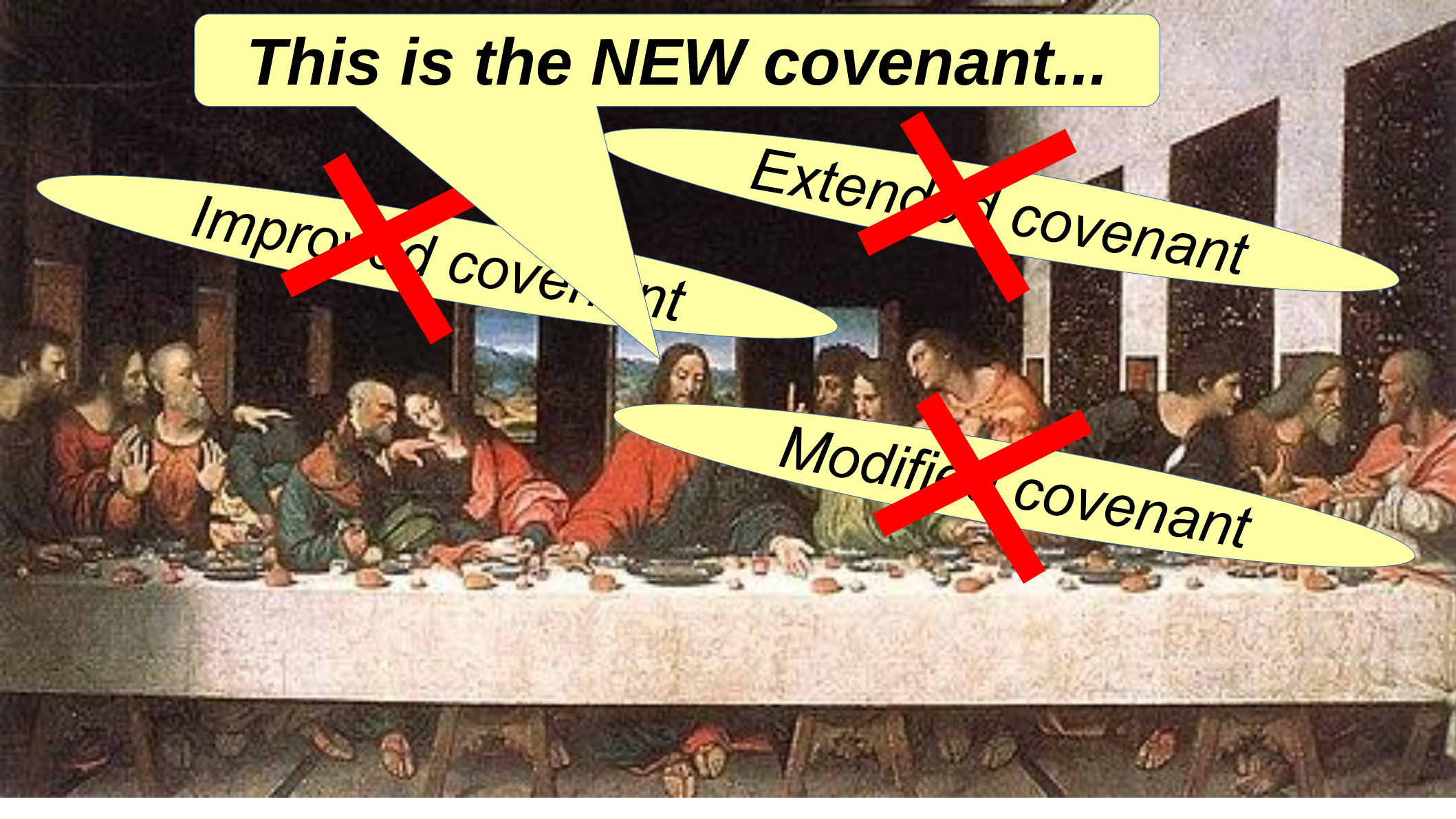


This is the NEW covenant...

~~***Improved covenant***~~

~~***Extended covenant***~~

~~***Modified covenant***~~



‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.



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The New Covenant

Worldwide

Spiritual & personal

Love God & other people

Father, Son & Holy Spirit

Jesus the Final Sacrifice

The Kingdom of God

Abraham

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The diagram illustrates the relationship between key figures and the two covenants. Abraham is shown in a blue oval at the top left, with a blue arrow pointing down to the 'Old Covenant' box. Moses is in a blue oval at the bottom left, with a blue arrow pointing up to the 'Old Covenant' box. Jesus is in a red oval at the bottom center, with a red arrow pointing up to the 'New Covenant' box. The 'Old Covenant' is a green box, and the 'New Covenant' is a yellow box. The background is a light yellow.

Old Covenant

Moses

New Covenant

Jesus

By calling this covenant 'new,' he has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and outdated will soon disappear. (Heb 8:13)



Old Covenant

New Covenant

Old Covenant

***Blended
Covenant***









I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel - which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God's curse!

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***Paul's Letter to
the Galatians***

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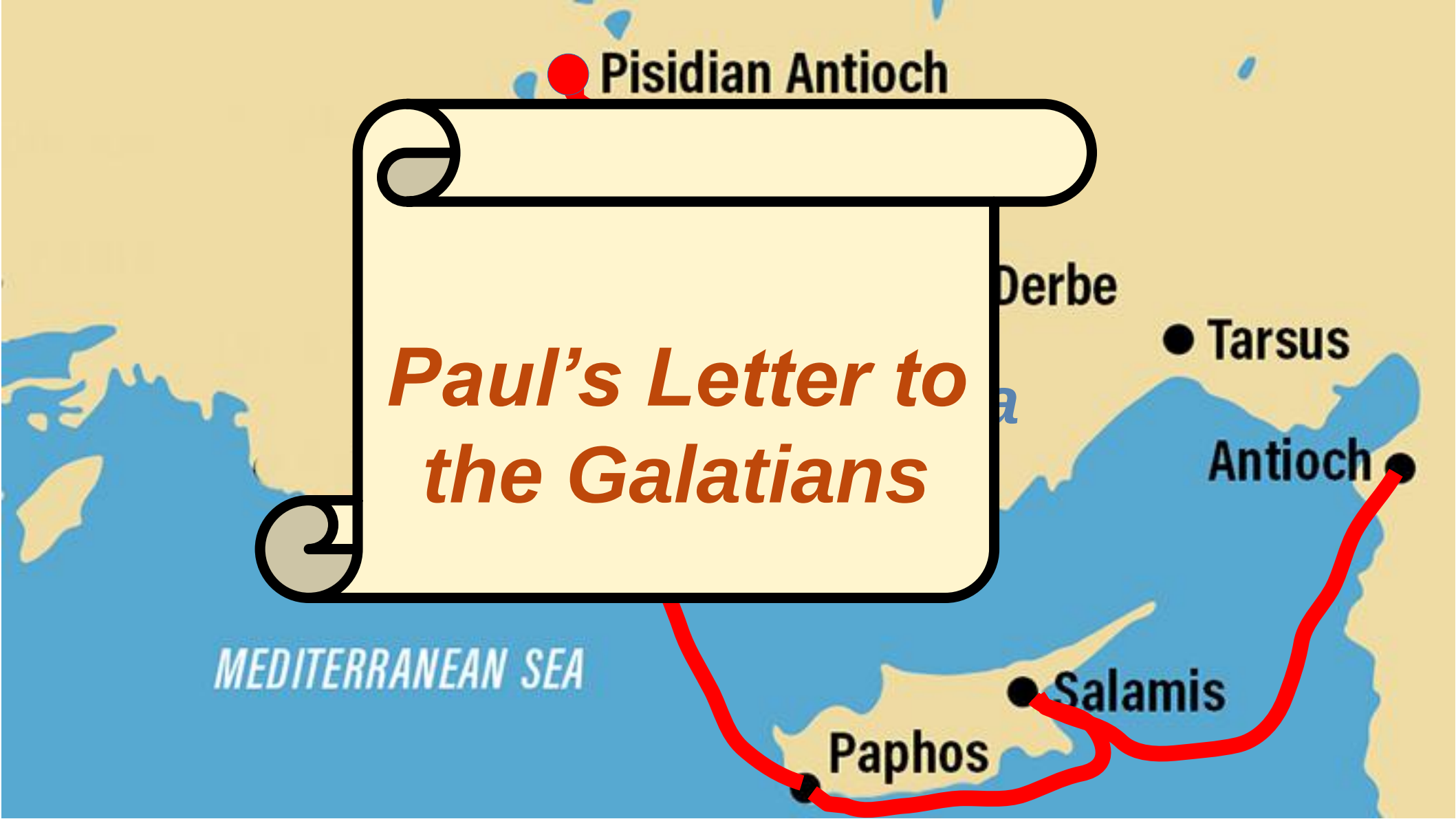
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The Challenge of the Blended Covenant today

Some questions...

Old Covenant

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Why is there still “sabbath observance”?

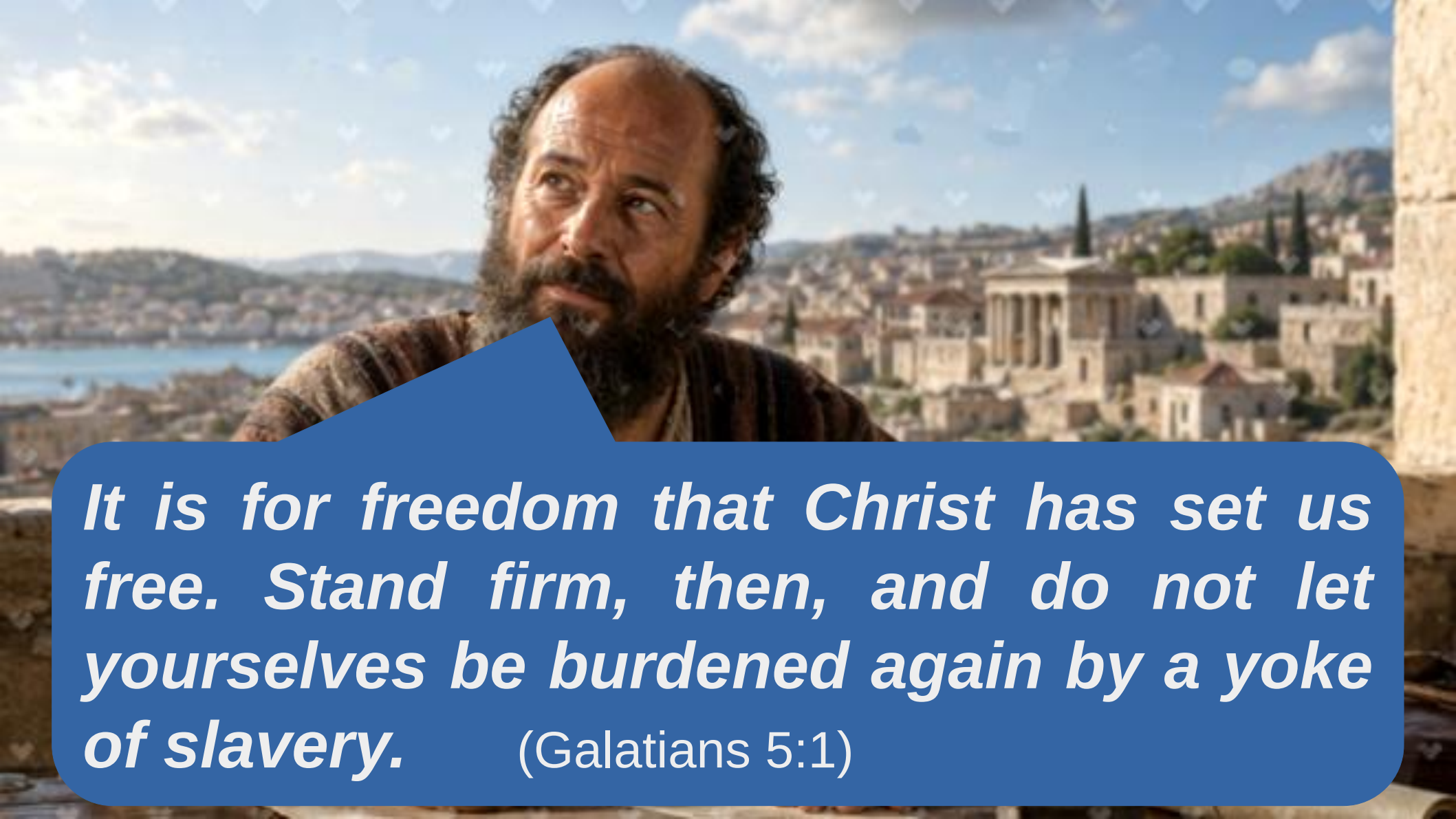
“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Is Jeremiah 29:11 relevant today?

He completely deleted 34 Psalms and heavily edited another 58 from the traditional Anglican reading list. These were the "cursing Psalms" which call for God to enact justice on the enemies of his people.



These are highly improper for the mouths of a Christian congregation. I believe that praying for the destruction of enemies fundamentally contradicts the New Testament commandment to love your neighbour.



It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. (Galatians 5:1)



Antinomianism

~~Since as a Christian I am free from the old Law, I can now do as I like.~~

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.



**The Fruit
of the Spirit**



Faithfulness

Patience

Self-Control

Kindness

Love

Gentleness

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