

## 199-The Stabilizing Effect of His Covenant-04-23-10

God's Covenant is Immutable. It is impossible for God to lie.  
It ends all strife inside of us. It Corrects a bad day.

### #1. The Battle is not yours.

2 Chr 20:15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; **for the battle is not yours, but God's.**

### #2. "The Promise" is the first and "The Oath" is the second immutable thing.

Heb 6:13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, **he sware by himself,**

14 Saying, **Surely** blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.

15 And so, after he had **patiently endured**, he **obtained** the promise.

16 For men verily swear by the greater: and an **oath** for confirmation is to them an **end of all strife.**

17 Wherein God, **willing more abundantly to shew** unto the heirs of promise the **immutability of his counsel**, confirmed it by an **oath:**

18 That by **two immutable things**, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a **strong consolation**, who have fled for refuge to **lay hold upon the hope** set before us:

19 Which **hope** we have as an **anchor of the soul**, both **sure and stedfast**, and which entereth into that within the veil;

20 Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

### #3. Let not your heart be troubled.

2 Tim 2:3 Thou therefore **endure hardness**, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

Prov 20:3 It is an **honour** for a man to **cease from strife**: but every fool will be meddling.

Prov 14:30 A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but **envy** the rottenness of the bones.

James 3:16 For where **envying and strife** is, there is confusion and every evil work.

1 Pet 5:10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you **perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle** you.

### #4. God's covenant is a Blood covenant.

Lev17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and **I have given it to you** upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

### #5. a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.

Gen 15:17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that **passed between those pieces.**

18 In the same day the LORD made a **covenant** with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:

Gen 17:7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an **everlasting covenant**, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

Strong's definition for everlasting: **the vanishing point**; gen. **time out of mind** (past or fut.), i.e. (practically) **eternity**; **always**:--always (-s), ancient (time), any more, **continuance, eternal**, (for, [n-]) **ever** (-lasting, -more, of old), lasting, long (time), (of) old (time), **perpetual**, at any time, (**beginning of the**) **world (+ without end)**. Comp. H5331, H5703.

### #6. Be content.

Heb 13:5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and **be content with such things as ye have**: for he hath said, I will **never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**

6 So that **we may boldly say**, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

### #7. Ruth's Covenant.

Ruth 1:14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.

15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law.

16 And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and **thy God my God:**

17 **Where thou diest, will I die**, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and more also, **if ought but death** part thee and me.

18 When she saw that she was **stedfastly minded** to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.

### #8. Our Covenant with God.

John 15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Psa 137:5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, **let my right hand** forget her cunning.

6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.

John 6:68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, **to whom shall we go?** thou hast the words of eternal life.

Luke 19:31 And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him? thus shall ye say unto him, **Because the Lord hath need of him.**

### #9. Give it all to God. He has need of it.