



Class outline

Essence of the Sinai covenant

Conditional aspects of the covenant

Unconditional aspect of the covenant

Lecture 5: 500y of Prophecies

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Kingdom of Covenants

The basis for the Chronicler's reinterpretation of the Davidic covenant were the prophetic promises given over a period of 500 years.

Messiah

- Meaning “anointed one”, therefore, set apart for a special task (Ex. 29:1-9, 1. Sam. 16:13, Isa. 45:1)
- Used for Kings and sometimes high priests, and **the** Messiah.
- It is a term that is used for the one that is progressively revealed in the OT, the redeemer of the world (Isa. 11:1-10, 61:1-3, etc.).

Davidic Messiah as Liberating King

- Hosea 3:4-5
 - God illustrates the unfaithfulness of Israel through Hosea and Gomer's relationship.
 - He predicts: Israel will be separated from God, just like Gomer was from Hosea
 - Israel will be without King for a time; as a result of this punishment; the will return to “God **and** David their king” (David stands for Messiah).
- Micah 5:1-4
 - A redeemer will come from Bethlehem (connection with David) in time of distress.
 - Nature of messiah: Had to be more than just a man (“ancient of days”)
 - Messiah will be the one who rules and brings peace.
- Isaiah 9:6-7
 - Before Chapter 9: Time of distress.
 - Israel will be liberated from this bad time and will be overjoyed by the coming Davidic King
 - Names in the Bible indicate something about the character of the person.
- Isaiah 11:1-10
 - Spirit of God will empower the Messiah
 - Result of Messianic reign: return to the peaceful state of Eden.
 - Physical condition of garden will be result of the spiritual state, the knowledge of God.

Discussion Questions

- What do all of these messianic prophecies have in common? If only these prophecies were given about the messiah, what would we know up to this point?
- Read Isaiah 9: 1-7 again. Jesus was never called the names given to him in Isa. 9:6-7, does this mean he was not the messiah? How can this be explained?
- When we are unfaithful God is still faithful (Hos. 3), talk about specific situations where you were unfaithful but God proved to be faithful.