

June 1st

THE COVENANTS

THE MANDATE

Genesis 1:26 (HCSB)

26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness. They will rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock, all the earth, and the creatures that crawl on the earth."

THE PRIMORIAL COVENANT

Genesis 2:15-17 (HCSB)

15 The Lord God took the man and placed him in the garden of Eden to work it and watch over it. **16** And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree of the garden, **17** but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for on the day you eat from it, you will certainly die."

THE PAUSE

Romans 5:14 (HCSB)

14 Nevertheless, death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam's transgression. He is a prototype of the Coming One.

THE OLD COVENANT

Exodus 19:5-6 (HCSB)

5 Now if you will listen to Me and carefully keep My covenant, you will be My own possession out of all the peoples, although all the earth is Mine, **6** and you will be My kingdom of priests and My holy nation.' These are the words that you are to say to the Israelites."

THE NEW COVENANT

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (HCSB)

31 "Look, the days are coming"—this is the Lord's declaration—"when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. **32** This one will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant they broke even though I had married them"—the Lord's declaration. **33** "Instead, this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days"—the Lord's declaration. "I will put My teaching within them and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be My people. **34** No longer will one teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they will all know Me, from the least to the greatest of them"—this is the Lord's declaration. "For I will forgive their wrongdoing and never again remember their sin."