New Covenant Confirmed with Christ's blood/The Glory of the New Covenant

1. Christ Is the Perfect Sacrifice (recap)

a) **Heb. 8:1 - 10:18** (Christ is our high priest and is the perfect sacrifice once and for all. Through His blood He has made salvation "available" to all. All who believe in Him will be saved. He made a way through the cross!)

2. A New Covenant Confirmed With Christ's Blood

a) 1 Cor. 11:23-25 (Specifically vs 25) (NLT) "...an agreement confirmed with my blood". (AMPC) "the new covenant [ratified and established] in My blood" - ratified = sign or give formal consent to (a treaty, contract, or agreement), making it officially valid. (For further study see also: Mat. 26:26-29; Mrk. 14:22-25; Lk. 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:17-33; Jn. 6:47-58. Jn. 6:47-58 covers this best. (Full context: Jesus Is The Bread Of Life Jn. 6:22-58) Feed on Jesus! It's important to note that just before Jn. 6:22-58 we are told about the miracle of feeding thousands in Jn. 6:1-15. So Jesus is now talking about spiritual food.

b) Also important to note:

- <u>Old Testament Foundations</u>: Passages like **Exodus 16** (manna) and **Isaiah 55:1-3** foreshadow Jesus as the ultimate provider, <u>contrasting temporary provision with</u> eternal fulfillment.
- New Testament Parallels: Jn. 4:13-14, 7:37-38; Mat. 5:6; 1 Cor. 11:23-29

3. The Glory Of The New Covenant

- a) **2 Cor. 3:7-18; 1 Ptr. 3:18 (AMPC)**. (also refer back to **Heb. 8:6-13** which also refers back to **Jer. 31-34** which spoke if this new and glorious way that was to come and is now here because of Christ's sacrifice) (Old way replaced by a new more glorious way)
- b) ...back to 2 Cor. 3. We are to be ministers of the New Covenant. 2 Cor. 3:4-6.
- c) Now let's read in full context: 2 Cor. 3:7-4:7.
- d) This new glorious way (The New Covenant) is God's free gift leads to our being made right with God. This free gift is forgiveness to many through Jesus Christ. Rom. 5:8-21. Notice it says "many" here and not "all". Through the cross Jesus Christ made salvation "available" to all. Only those who believe in Jesus Christ will be saved. (Acts 16:31). Will "receive" salvation as well as the finished work of the cross.

To be continued.... next meeting we will:

> Talk about the benefits of The New Covenant continued and Renewing of Our Minds/Being Transformed/Fix Our Thoughts/Walk In Newness Of Life.

Homework:

1 Jn. 4:7-21

Full context: Those who believe in Christ Abide in Him and Him in them.

Jn. 6:22-59

Full context: Jesus is the bread of life, feed on Jesus!

Jn. chapters 14 - 17

Full context: The work of the Holy Spirit and our union with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Rom. 8:5-6 (NKJV) What are you setting your mind on? - full context: **Rom. 8:1-17**. Note: when reading this remember that Paul is talking believers who are going through persecution.

Where are we on the study map with this study?

