

THEN: ISRAEL	NOW: CHRISTIAN BELIEVERS
THE LAND	THE LAND
God's UNCONDITIONAL Covenant: <u>Giving of the Land</u>	God's UNCONDITIONAL Covenant: <u>Giving us Salvation in Heaven</u>
God took the initiative to give the land	God took the initiative to offer us Eternal Life through His blood
God fought the battles	Christ fought the battle of sin and death at the cross
God accomplished the victory on <i>their</i> behalf	Christ's resurrection accomplished victory on <i>our</i> behalf
Israel witnessed the victories	Believers witness & experience forgiveness of sin and new birth
God allotted the land to <i>each</i> tribe	Christ allotted to <i>each</i> believer <i>All</i> spiritual blessings (<i>Eph.1</i>)
God gave the remainder of the land as a pledge for fruitful future conquest	Christ gave us the Holy Spirit as a pledge for fruitful spiritual victories
God's CONDITIONAL Covenant: <u>Possessing the land.</u> It was based on <i>obedience to the Law</i>	God's UNCONDITIONAL covenant of <u>Possessing Salvation</u> is based on <i>God's Grace</i> & our declaration of belief in Christ
Obedience to give them peace from their enemies (External condition)	Christ gives us His Peace (Internal condition) "My peace I give you" (<i>John 14:27</i>)
Obedience to have God's future help driving out their enemies	Christ promises His permanent presence & help to the believer
Obedience to avoid the enemy to be a source of suffering and destruction	Christ the Good Shepperd protects His sheep from the enemy
Israel set <i>stone memorials</i> as witness of what God has done & their commitment to His covenant	We <i>ARE the memorial stone</i> witnessing what God has done in our lives & our commitment to His "Grace Covenant"
The complete possession of the land was a slow process (until David's time)	We wait patiently for the <i>complete</i> fulfilment of our Heavenly home
THE LAW OF MOSES	THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST
The Law <i>revealed</i> Sin	The Gospel of Christ <i>takes away</i> Sin
Moses was a <i>servant</i> of God	Christ is <i>the Son of God</i> – Christ is superior to Moses (<i>Hebrews 3</i>)
"The Law was <i>weak and useless</i> ". (made nothing perfect")	Christ the Perfect One, brings <i>complete, perfect</i> communion with God
Obedience to The Law relied on <i>human works</i>	Obedience to the Gospel relies on <i>God's Grace</i> and the <i>Holy Spirit</i>
Israel future success is guaranteed by <i>their own efforts</i> to obey	Believers' future success is <i>guaranteed by Christ</i> . (<i>Philippians 1:6</i>)
Joshua's covenant agreement was written in <i>the book of Moses</i> (<i>Joshua 24</i>)	Christ's Covenant in His blood is written <i>in our hearts</i> & our names are written in the <i>Book of Life</i> . (<i>Psalms 69:28, 90:1, Philip.4:3, Rev.: 3, 13, 17, 20, 21, 22</i>)
THE PRIESTHOOD	THE PRIESTHOOD
God established the Levitical priesthood <i>for Israel</i>	God establishes the Priesthood of Christ with an oath, for <i>all believers</i>
The priests offered <i>yearly</i> sacrifices for forgiveness of sin for <i>Israel</i>	Jesus perfect sacrifice for forgiveness of sin was " <i>once and for all</i> "
Levites were <i>all human temporary</i> priests	Jesus is <i>One Divine Eternal</i> High Priest (<i>Hebrews: 4:14-15, 8:1</i>) (<i>Psalms 110:4</i>)
The Levite priest was the <i>only</i> person allowed to enter the sanctuary & to serve God and His Temple	All believers are New Covenant Priests invited into His presence to serve God. " <i>Jesus has made us to be a Kingdom, Priests to His God and Father</i> " (<i>Rev.1:6</i>)
Levites didn't receive a <i>land portion</i> . " <i>For the LORD, the God of Israel is their inheritance</i> " (<i>Josh 13:33</i>) (<i>Num18:20</i>)	Believer's <i>inheritance is not</i> in the world. The <i>Lord himself</i> is our portion & our inheritance now and in heaven
THE CONSEQUENCES OF SIN	THE CONSEQUENCES OF SIN
Israel will perish from the promised land & loses God's blessings & work on their behalf	<u>Born-again</u> Believers will not perish (lose salvation) but <i>will not operate</i> in the fullness of God's power & His spiritual blessings