

# Week 45, One Year Bible Challenge: “A Better Covenant”

Christ the Rock Community Church, Saturday Morning Men’s Bible Study

**This week’s reading November 4-10** [1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, “*The One Year Bible Challenge*,” you should read the daily materials as set out in “[The One Year Bible](#).” The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]

Ezekiel 12:1 to Ezekiel 23:49

Hebrews 7:1 to Hebrews 10:39

Psalms 105:37 to 109:31

Proverbs 27:3 to 27:13

**Next Week’s Reading November 11-17**



From 1890 Holman Bible

Ezekiel 24:1 to 38:23

Hebrews 11:1 to James 2:17

Psalms 110:1 to 117:2

Proverbs 27:14 to 28:1

**Discussion Questions:**

Old Testament

- God knew his people intentionally disobeyed him. He referred to the captives in Babylon as “the rebellious house, who have eyes to see, and don’t see, who have ears to hear, and don’t hear.” Ezekiel 12:2. Christ later quoted this passage as He spoke to His disciples. Mark 8:18. What about modern believers—do we (or YOU) see and hear the truth, but still rebel against God?
- God told Ezekiel to speak against false prophets. Ezekiel 13:1 Why would these false prophets follow their own spirit, rather than speak for God?
- People often want to punish the guilty to achieve justice. Is this God’s preferred way? Ezekiel 18:23. Would the world be different if we really preferred repentance over punishment?

### New Testament

- Why is the new covenant with Jesus Christ better than the old covenant? Hebrews 8:6.
- Why does Hebrews 8:10-11 say God’s people “shall not teach, each one his brother”?
- What is the importance of Hebrews 9:22? Did Christ’s death and resurrection change the Law; or how the Law was implemented?

### FOOTNOTE:

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# **Week 44, One Year Bible Challenge: “Visions”**

**Saturday Morning Men’s Bible Study**



The prophet Ezekiel cuts off his hair and beard and burns it. Ezekiel 5:1-4.

**This week's reading October 28 to November 3**[1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, "*The One Year Bible Challenge*," you should read the daily materials as set out in "[The One Year Bible](#)." The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]

Lamentations 1:1 to Ezekiel 11:25

Philemon 1:1 to Hebrews 6:20

Psalms 101:1 to 105:36

Proverbs 26:20 to 27:2

**Next Week's Reading November 4-10**

Ezekiel 12:1 to Ezekiel 23:49

Hebrews 7:1 to Hebrews 10:39

Psalms 105:37 to 109:31

Proverbs 27:3 to 27:13

**Discussion Questions:**

Old Testament

- Lamentations 2:5 says the LORD had become "like an enemy." Is this the same as God actually being the enemy of Israel? In any event, how did God's chosen people get in this position?
- Lamentations 3:25 says, "The LORD is good to them that wait for him, to the soul that seeks him." Can this verse still apply when we're in a hurry? That is, when

we don't have time to wait? How do we "seek" God?

- Lamentations 5:1-18 describes some of the indignities suffered by Judah. Is "no respect shown to the elders" (v. 12) in the same class as the other items? Why is this item contained in this list?

### New Testament

- Hebrews 2:7 says that Jesus was "a little lower than angels." Some commentators say the meaning here is that Christ—born as a man—was at that time inferior to angels. Do you agree with this interpretation?
- "Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant... but Christ is faithful as a Son over his house" Hebrews 3:5-6. What is the difference between the Moses and Jesus?
- Is having a "heart of unbelief" really evil? Read Hebrews 3:12.

### FOOTNOTE:

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# Week 46, One Year Bible Challenge: "Dry Bones"

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**This week's reading November 12-18**[1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, "*The One Year Bible Challenge*," you should read the daily materials as set out in "[\*The One Year Bible\*](#)." The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]

Ezekiel 24:1 to 38:23

Hebrews 11:1 to James 2:17

Psalm 110:1 to 117:2

Proverbs 27:14 to 28:1

### **Next Week's Reading November 19-25**

Ezekiel 24:1 to 38:23

Hebrews 11:1 to James 2:17

Psalm 110:1 to 117:2

Proverbs 27:14 to 28:1

### **Discussion Questions:**



Ezekiel's Vision of the Valley of Dry Bones, from the Luther Bible

### Old Testament

- God said he would destroy Egypt because it was proud and arrogant. Ezekiel 31:10-15. Is pride and arrogance really that bad in the modern world? Why or why not?
- In Ezekiel 33:20, God says, "I will judge every one of you after his ways." Is this standard different than what is expressed in Ephesians 2:8-9?
- God told Ezekiel the people would listen to his words with no intention of doing what he said. What was the motive of the people? Were they just wasting their time? Read Ezekiel 33:30-33

### New Testament

- Is it possible to please God without having faith in him? Hebrews 11:6. Does this mean an unbeliever can never please God, even if the non-believer is otherwise a good person?
- Hebrews 12:6 says God loves those who he disciplines. Does this mean God disciplines every believer; or only those who deserve discipline?
- James 1:14 says, "But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away and enticed by his own lust."<sup>1</sup> Has it been your experience that your temptation come from your own lust; or does temptation seem to just "come out of nowhere."

FOOTNOTE: