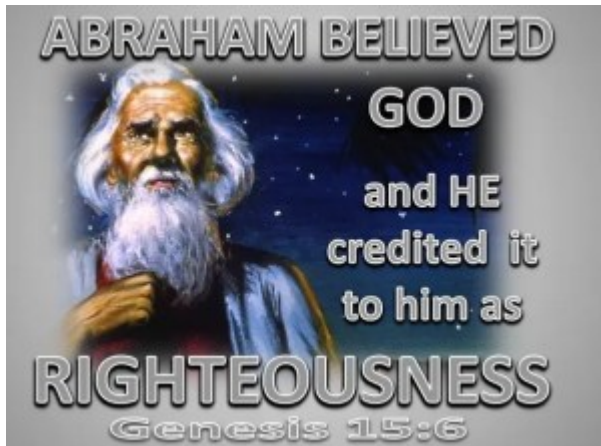


# What is “The Covenant” of the Book of Daniel?



The Covenant of Daniel 9:27 is the Covenant God made with Abraham.

“And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, ... – Galatians 3:17a

The words “the covenant” occur 106 times in 102 verses in 63 chapters and 25 books of the King James Version of the Bible.

The word “the” is a definite article that is used to denote a proper noun. Therefore in every case “the covenant” is used in Scripture, it is referring to something specific.

Did you know that of all of the occurrences of “the covenant”, there is **only one single verse** of Scripture where “the covenant” is clearly referring to something **other** than has to do with a covenant between the Lord and man?

Jeremiah 34:10 Now when all the princes, and all the people, which had entered into **the covenant**, heard that every one should let his manservant, and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more, then they obeyed, and let them go.

It is clear from verse 8 of Jeremiah 34 that this particular covenant was one that was between King Zedekiah and his people.

Jeremiah 34:8 This is the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, after that the **king Zedekiah had made a covenant** with all the people which were at Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto them;

In the Book of Daniel, the phrase “the covenant” appears twice in Daniel 9 and twice in Daniel 11.

Daniel 9:4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, *keeping **the covenant** and mercy to them that love him*, and to them that keep his commandments;

Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm **the covenant** with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease,

and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Daniel 11:22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of **the covenant**.

Daniel 11:32 And such as do wickedly against **the covenant** shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

Daniel 9:4 is clearly referring to the Covenant God made with Abraham. I submit to you therefore, that verse 27 and the two verses in Daniel 11 *are also* referring to the Covenant God made with Abraham!!

Why do evangelicals today call the "he" of Daniel 9:27 the *Antichrist* and three of the four occurrences of "the covenant" in the Book of Daniel as something a future Antichrist makes when **102 occurrences of 106 occurrences of "the covenant" in the Bible are clearly talking about a covenant God made with man**? No less than 96% of all occurrences of "the covenant" unquestionably refer to the covenant God made with man! I therefore submit to you that except for Jeremiah 34:10, in all instances of "the covenant," it is something to do with God and man and **not** an Endtime deal the Antichrist makes with the Jews!

Calling the "he" of Daniel 9:27 a future antichrist is a false interpretation that entered into Protestant theology in the early 19th century! It's a Jesuit doctrine that John Nelson Darby got from Edward Irving who got it from a Catholic Jesuit priest! I cover this in detail in <https://jamesjpn.net/basic-bible/eschatology/the-70th-week-of-daniel-delusion>

Modern Bible translations do not translate Daniel 9:27 correctly. The translators were all biased with Darby's interpretation of that verse. They read into the text something that isn't there. Reading into the text one's own opinions and biases is called eisegesis. Eisegesis is the process of interpreting the text in such a way as to introduce one's presuppositions, agendas or biases. It is commonly referred to as reading into the text. It's a no-no for a translator to do that!

I know something about translating text. It was my job for 11 years in Japan to check Japanese translations from English. Often the Japanese translator didn't correctly understand the English and translated it to something that sounded good but was wrong.

Now, if you know the author of the text personally, the chances of you getting the translation correct are much higher! When my friend Yoko asked me to translate Japanese text for her into English, sometimes she used words that if translated literally would make no sense to a native English speaker. Because I knew what she meant, I used different words. And she always agreed with me it was best to use those words. I believe the King James Version translators were all men of God who knew the Author of the Bible text. I

can't say that for every modern Bible translator.

The New International Version uses the indefinite article before covenant, "a covenant."

The New Living Translation is even worse. It says "make a treaty" instead of "confirm the covenant". Can you see the vast difference in meaning between the two?

The New King James uses the indefinite article, "a covenant" which implies something yet unknown.

The English Standard Version says, "make a strong covenant."

The New American Standard Bible says, "make a firm covenant."

In other words, modern translations, by using the word "make" rather than "confirm" indicate the event has yet to come in the *future* rather than been fulfilled in the *past*. Can you therefore see why the King James Version is important? And the Geneva Bible which is earlier than the KJV is also a good translation and correctly translates Daniel 9:27: And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week:

Below is the list of all occurrences of the covenant. The ***bold italics*** is to show how the verse is referring to a covenant God made with man. I counted five covenants: The Covenant with Noah, the Mosaic Covenant, the Covenant of the priesthood, the Covenant God made with King David, and the Abrahamic Covenant of grace which we are now under.

Genesis 9:12 And God said, This is the token of ***the covenant*** which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations:

Genesis 9:17 And God said unto Noah, This is the token of ***the covenant***, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

Genesis 17:11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of ***the covenant*** betwixt me and you.

Exodus 24:7 And he took the *book of* ***the covenant***, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

Exodus 24:8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold *the blood of* ***the covenant***, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

Exodus 34:28 And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables *the words of* ***the covenant***, the ten commandments.

Leviticus 2:13 And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with

salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of **the covenant** of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.

Leviticus 26:45 But I will for their sakes *remember* **the covenant** of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the LORD.

Numbers 10:33 And they departed from the mount of the LORD three days' journey: and the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD went before them in the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them.

Numbers 14:44 But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp.

Numbers 25:13 And he shall have it, and his seed after him, even **the covenant** of an everlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and made an atonement for the children of Israel.

Deuteronomy 4:23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget **the covenant** of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image, or the likeness of any thing, which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.

Deuteronomy 4:31 (For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, *nor forget* **the covenant** of thy fathers which he sware unto them.

Deuteronomy 7:12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God shall keep unto thee **the covenant** and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers:

Deuteronomy 9:9 When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, even *the tables of* **the covenant** which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water:

Deuteronomy 9:11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, that the LORD gave me *the two tables of stone, even the tables of* **the covenant**.

Deuteronomy 9:15 So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and *the two tables of* **the covenant** were in my two hands.

Deuteronomy 10:8 At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, to bear *the ark of* **the covenant** of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister unto him, and to bless in his name, unto this day.

Deuteronomy 29:1 These are the words of **the covenant**, which the LORD commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside **the covenant** which he made with them in Horeb.

Deuteronomy 29:21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of **the covenant** that are

*written in this book of the law:*

Deuteronomy 29:25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken ***the covenant of the LORD*** God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

Deuteronomy 31:9 And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of ***the covenant of the LORD***, and unto all the elders of Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:25 That Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of ***the covenant of the LORD***, saying,

Deuteronomy 31:26 Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of *the ark of the covenant of the LORD* your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

Joshua 3:3 And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see *the ark of the covenant of the LORD* your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.

Joshua 3:6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up *the ark of the covenant*, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of ***the covenant***, and went before the people.

Joshua 3:8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear *the ark of the covenant*, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.

Joshua 3:11 Behold, *the ark of the covenant of the Lord* of all the earth passeth over before you into Jordan.

Joshua 3:14 And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing *the ark of the covenant* before the people;

Joshua 3:17 And the priests that bare *the ark of the covenant of the LORD* stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan.

Joshua 4:7 Then ye shall answer them, That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of ***the covenant of the LORD***; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever.

Joshua 4:9 And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bare *the ark of the covenant* stood: and they are there unto this day.

Joshua 4:18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bare *the ark of the covenant of the LORD* were come up out of the midst of Jordan, and the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up unto the dry land, that the waters of

Jordan returned unto their place, and flowed over all his banks, as they did before.

Joshua 6:6 And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of **the covenant**, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

Joshua 6:8 And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** followed them.

Joshua 7:15 And it shall be, that he that is taken with the accursed thing shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath: because he hath transgressed **the covenant of the LORD**, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel.

Joshua 8:33 And all Israel, and their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, which bare the ark of **the covenant of the LORD**, as well the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them over against mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal; as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the people of Israel.

Joshua 23:16 When ye have transgressed **the covenant of the LORD** your God, which he commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath given unto you.

Judges 20:27 And the children of Israel enquired of the LORD, (for *the ark of the covenant of God* was there in those days,

1 Samuel 4:3 And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to day before the Philistines? Let us fetch the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the hand of our enemies.

1 Samuel 4:4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** of hosts, which dwelleth between the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of **the covenant** of God.

1 Samuel 4:5 And when the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang again.

2 Samuel 15:24 And lo Zadok also, and all the Levites were with him, bearing the ark of **the covenant of God**: and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city.

1 Kings 3:15 And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of **the covenant of the LORD**, and offered

up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

1 Kings 6:19 And the oracle he prepared in the house within, to set there the ark of **the covenant of the LORD**.

1 Kings 8:1 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** out of the city of David, which is Zion.

1 Kings 8:6 And the priests brought in the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** unto his place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubims.

1 Kings 8:21 And I have set there a place for the ark, wherein is **the covenant of the LORD**, which he made with our fathers, when he brought them out of the land of Egypt.

2 Kings 17:38 And **the covenant that I have made with you ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear other gods.**

2 Kings 23:2 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people, both small and great: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of **the covenant which was found in the house of the LORD.**

2 Kings 23:3 And the king stood by a pillar, and made a *covenant before the LORD*, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all their heart and all their soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people *stood to the covenant.*

1 Chronicles 15:25 So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up *the ark of the covenant of the LORD* out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.

1 Chronicles 15:26 And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the *ark of the covenant of the LORD*, that they offered seven bullocks and seven rams.

1 Chronicles 15:28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

1 Chronicles 15:29 And it came to pass, as the ark of **the covenant of the LORD** came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.

1 Chronicles 16:6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of **the covenant of God.**

1 Chronicles 16:16 Even of **the covenant** which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac;

1 Chronicles 16:37 So he left there before *the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD* Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:

1 Chronicles 17:1 Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but *the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD* remaineth under curtains.

1 Chronicles 22:19 Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God; arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of the LORD God, to bring *the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD*, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of the LORD.

1 Chronicles 28:2 Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: As for me, I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD, and for the footstool of our God, and had made ready for the building:

1 Chronicles 28:18 And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the cherubims, that spread out their wings, and covered the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD.

2 Chronicles 5:2 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion.

2 Chronicles 5:7 And the priests brought in the ark of **the covenant** of the LORD unto his place, to the oracle of the house, into the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubims:

2 Chronicles 6:11 And in it have I put the ark, wherein is **the covenant** of the LORD, that he made with the children of Israel.

2 Chronicles 21:7 Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of David, because of **the covenant** that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a light to him and to his sons for ever.

2 Chronicles 34:30 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, great and small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of **the covenant** that was found in the house of the LORD.

2 Chronicles 34:31 And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of **the covenant** which are written in this book.

2 Chronicles 34:32 And he caused all that were present in Jerusalem and



Benjamin to stand to it. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to ***the covenant*** of God, the God of their fathers.

Nehemiah 13:29 Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the priesthood, and ***the covenant*** of the priesthood, and of the Levites.

Psalms 74:20 *Have respect unto* ***the covenant***: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.

Psalms 78:10 They kept not ***the covenant*** of God, and refused to walk in his law;

Psalms 89:39 *Thou hast made void* ***the covenant*** of thy servant: thou hast profaned his crown by casting it to the ground.

Proverbs 2:17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth ***the covenant*** of her God.

Isaiah 33:8 The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: *he hath broken* ***the covenant***, he hath despised the cities, he regardeth no man.

Isaiah 54:10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall ***the covenant*** of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

Jeremiah 3:16 And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the LORD, they shall say no more, The ark of ***the covenant*** of the LORD: neither shall it come to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit it; neither shall that be done any more.

Jeremiah 22:9 Then they shall answer, Because they have forsaken ***the covenant*** of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.

Jeremiah 31:32 Not according to ***the covenant*** that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

Jeremiah 31:33 But this shall be ***the covenant*** that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jeremiah 34:10 Now when all the princes, and all the people, which had entered into ***the covenant***, heard that every one should let his manservant, and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more, then they obeyed, and let them go.

Jeremiah 34:18 And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, which have not performed the words of ***the covenant*** which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof,

Ezekiel 16:59 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast despised the oath in breaking **the covenant**.

Ezekiel 17:15 But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people. Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such things? or shall he break **the covenant**, and be delivered?

Ezekiel 17:18 Seeing he despised the oath by breaking **the covenant**, when, lo, he had given his hand, and hath done all these things, he shall not escape.

Ezekiel 20:37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of **the covenant**:

Daniel 9:4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping **the covenant** and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;

Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm **the covenant** with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

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Hosea 6:7 But they like men have transgressed **the covenant**: there have they dealt treacherously against me.

Malachi 2:8 But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted **the covenant** of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 2:10 Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning **the covenant** of our fathers?

Malachi 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of **the covenant**, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

Acts 3:25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of **the covenant** which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

Acts 7:8 And he gave him **the covenant** of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob

begat the twelve patriarchs.

Galatians 3:17 And this I say, that **the covenant**, *that was confirmed before of God in Christ*, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

Hebrews 8:9 Not according to **the covenant** *that I made with their fathers* in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

Hebrews 8:10 For this is **the covenant** *that I will make with the house of Israel* after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

Hebrews 9:4 Which had the golden censer, and *the ark of* **the covenant** overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of **the covenant**;

Hebrews 10:16 This is **the covenant** *that I will make with them after those days*, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;

Hebrews 10:29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted *the blood of* **the covenant**, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?