

Is the Old Testament Binding on the Christian?

- I. Introduction
 - a. There are two major covenants recorded in our Bibles
 - i. Old Testament
 - ii. New Testament
 - b. Which are we to obey?
- II. Key Statement
- III. 8 Reasons the Old Covenant is not binding on the Christian
 - a. We have died to and been discharged from the law – Rom. 7:1-6
 - b. We are no longer under it – Gal. 3:16-19, 23-25
 - c. It has been abolished – Col. 2:13-17
 - d. It has been nailed to the cross – Eph 2:13-16
 - e. It is obsolete and has been taken away – Heb 8:6-13; Heb. 10:9
 - i. Six times in Hebrews the law of Moses is referred to as the first covenant
 - ii. The first has been taken away so the second can be established
 - f. Because the testator of the New Covenant has died – Matt. 26:27-28; Heb. 9:15-17
 - g. The priesthood has changed – Heb. 7:11-19
 - h. It has been fulfilled Matt 5:17-18; John 19:30
- IV. 4 Reasons to be glad the Old Covenant is not binding on the Christian
 - a. We cannot keep both the Old and New Covenants
 - i. Religious circumcision commanded and condemned
 1. Gen 17:12-14
 2. Gal. 5:1-2
 - ii. Dietary restrictions and no dietary restrictions
 - b. We cannot keep the Old Covenant
 - i. We would be a debtor to keep the whole law
 - ii. Gal. 5:3; James 2:10
 - c. The Old covenant cannot forgive sins
 - i. Heb. 10:1-4
- V. Conclusion
 - a. Invitation
 - i.