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9:26; Psalm 80:11. There is no land promise awaiting the Jewish people in the future. The Hebrew people lost their deed to material territory as a result of their spiritual rebellion, which was consummated by their murder of the Messiah. (see Joshua 23:15-16). The only hope now for those of Jewish background is in the gospel of Jesus Christ (Romans 1:16-17).

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“As for God, His way is perfect; The word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.”

2 Samuel 22:31

“The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.” Psalms 18:2

IN WHOM ARE YOU PUTTING YOUR TRUST?

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SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM

“Study of Mark”

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:50 AM

Guest Speaker

SUNDAY WORSIP 6:00 PM

Guest Speaker

Wednesday 7:00 PM

“Study of 1 Kings”

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DO WE BELIEVE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT? - Foy E. Wallace

The Old and the New Testaments represent together the continuity of Divine revelation. We are not under the Old Testament—but that does not mean that we do not believe it. When we try to show people that we are not under the Old Testament, they think that we do not believe the Old Testament. Let us ask, who it is that does not believe the Old Testament—do you believe that it has been taken away? If you say no—then you do not believe the Old Testament, because the Old Testament is the book that said, “*In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away*” (Heb. 8:13). Here Paul showed that what the Old Testament said in advance about itself had been done. That was a quotation from the Old Testament. So, if you do not be-

lieve that the Old Testament has vanished away, then you are the one who does not believe the Old Testament.

I believe the Old Testament, but we are not under it. That does not mean that it is not true; it means that it was fulfilled and has been abrogated. It was not called the “Old Testament” as long as it was in force. There is not a law on the statue books of the State of Tennessee that you would call an “old” law while it is in operation. When a law is repealed, when it is abrogated, when it is relegated, it becomes an old law.

Then why is the Old Testament “old”? Not because it was written first, not because it is older than the New Testament—Paul said, in Hebrews 8:13, that God made it old. “*In that he*

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain Members: Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder (Spring Creek), Hayes Grady, Marie and Roy Wyatt (suffered heart attack but is home), Dave and Ann Thompson, Joan Lathrop, Wanda Barrett and Don Spiceland.

Family and Friends: Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Kim Burrows, Nat Evans, Lucetria Hutchison, Ted Clark, Larry and Rose Wyatt, Tonya Morris, Teri Mercer, Patrice Wyatt, Jackie Herndon, Janice Canter, Peyton Mays and Patricia Dowdy.

PANTRY ITEMS August 2025: 3-Peanut Butter; 10-Jelly; 17-Corn; 24-Diced Tomatoes; 31-Pork-n-Beans.

August 2025 ANNIVERSERIES: 13-Gail & Jonnie **BIRTHDAYS:** 4-Teresa Enoch; 21-Jackie Spiceland.

UPCOMING EVENTS: *Fall Gospel Meeting* with Garlan Robinson September 14-18, 2025: *School of Biblical Studies* starts September 22nd with John & Eli Sales serving as our instructors. Be praying and working to make these events successful. Announcements are available in the lobby.

THOSE TO SERVE AUGUST 2025

Announcements: Chad

Preside at Lord’s Table AM: Roy & Bobby

Preside at Lord’s Table PM: 3-Roy; 10-Bobby; 17-Roy; 24-Bobby; 31-Roy

Opening Prayer AM: 3-James; 10-Jonnie; 17; Jimmy; 24-Mike; 31-James

Closing Prayer AM: 3-Perry; 10-Dave; 17-Jesse; 24-Russell; 31-Chad

Lead Singing: AM-Perry; PM-Chad; Wed-Mike

Count Contribution: Roy and Bobby

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saith, *A new covenant, he hath made the first old.*” He made it old by abrogating it, taking it out of the way. The Old Testament is true as the revelation of God and the history of man, and of God’s people Israel, and as an inspired record of the development of the Divine plan of redemption. All of that is in the Old Testament. The Bi-

ble is thus the longest thread of thought ever woven in the loom of time. There is no repudiation of the Old Testament, but we recognize the difference in the dispensations under which men have lived and served God.

-- Via St. Peter’s Proclaimer, Mo.

Genesis 15:18 – Will Israel Once Again Possess the Promised Land? By Wayne Jackson

In Genesis 15, Jehovah made a promise to Abraham. He declared that the patriarch’s seed would someday possess the territory between “the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates” (v. 18). Has the promise been fulfilled? Premillennialists contend that it has not. Of this passage, Allan Ross, of the Dallas Theological Seminary, writes: “Israel has never possessed this land in its entirety, but she will when Christ returns to reign as Messiah” (The Bible Knowledge Commentary, I, p. 56). The foregoing statement stands in bold contrast to the plain testimony of the Bible itself. During the reign of Solomon, the kingdom of Israel did extend

from the river of Egypt (el-Arish, not the Nile) to the Euphrates River in Mesopotamia. Note the testimony of 1 Kings 4:21 “And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from the river unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life.” (cf. 2 Chronicles 9:26). Further, the psalmist, in describing the same historical circumstance, wrote: “She [the nation of Israel] sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river” (Psalm 80:11). Thus, in the margin of your Bible, beside Genesis 15:18, write: See 1 Kings 4:21; 2 Chronicles

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