

GENESIS - EXPOSITION

Genesis 15

GENESIS Outline

- I. Primeval History 1:1-11:26
- II. Patriarchal History 11:27-50:26
 - A. History of Abraham 11:27-25:18
 - 1. His Faith & the Land 11:27-15:21
 - a. Call to the Land 11:27-12:9
 - b. Challenge out of Land 12:10-13:4
 - c. Challenge of Lot for Land 13:5-18
 - d. Challenge of War in Land 14
 - e. Covenant for the Land 15

IMPORTANCE

- 1. Grace not law**
- 2. Sacrifice central**
- 3. Basis of Exodus**
- 4. Fulfillment by Messiah**
- 5. Future blessings of Israel**
- 6. Justification by faith**
- 7. Parameters of world history**

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as we know, made covenants
with their gods or God.”**

WF Albright

MORTGAGE

1. Parties - you & bank
2. Stipulations - loan amount, interest rate, payments, fees, repossession, etc.
3. Term - 15 year
4. Signing - _____
your name bank official

בְּרִית (berit)

- **A Legally Binding Contract**
- **An Agreement, Pact, Treaty**
- **Specifies behavior to be complied with**



COVENANTS

- **Between Men - Gen 21:27**
- **In Marriage - Mal 2:14**
- **Between Tribes - Josh 9:7**
- **Between Nations - Deut 7:2**
- **God & Man - Noahic, Abrahamic, Mosaic, Palestinian, Davidic, New**

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b) Preparations for Covenant 15:9-11

15:9 So He said to him, “Bring Me a three year old heifer, and a three year old female goat, and a three year old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

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**15:11 The birds of prey came
down upon the carcasses, and
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Sea of Galilee

**God does not need to
make covenants.
Gives legal assurance!!!**