## **Teaching:** "Our New Covenant"

But now has He obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also He is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises, Hebrews 8:6.

#### We are now not under the Old Covenant.

- For there is a disannulling of the first covenant due to its weakness and unprofitableness. For the law made nothing perfect, . . , Hebrews 7:18.
- A new *covenant*, He has made the first old. Now that which decays *is* ready to vanish away, Hebrews 8:13.
- For He has taken the first covenant away, to establish the second, Hebrews 10:9.

### We are not under the law of the old Covenant.

- No man puts a piece of new cloth on an old garment, for the new piece will take from the garment, and the rent is made worse, Matthew 9:16.
- How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?, Hebrews 9:14.

# Nor should we have any sin conscience:

- The blood of Christ has purged our conscience to serve the living God, Hebrews 9:14.
- Let us draw near with full assurance having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, Hebrews 10:22.

• We have a new nature, 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 5:17, we do not have a sin nature, nor should we have a sin conscienceness.

## Why it is so important to have a pure / clean conscience?

- It's a command: The end of the commandment is love out of a pure heart and a good conscience, . . . 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 1:5.
- If we have a sin conscience, our own conscience will convict us of our sins, John 8:9.
- Our conscience bears witness of our thoughts, Romans 2:15.
- Our conscience can defile us, 1st Corinthians 10.
- The blood of Christ has purged our conscience from dead works to serve the living God, Hebrews 9:14.
- Let us draw near with full assurance having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, Hebrews 10:22.
- Baptism saves us (not by putting away of the filth of the flesh, but by giving us a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 1st Peter 3:21.
- Without faith and a good conscience some have made themselves shipwrecked, 1st Timothy 1:19.

The Old Testament does not have one occurrence of the word, "conscience", referring to man's thoughts, whereby the New Testament has 29 occurrences of the word conscience.