

“The Blood of the Covenant” **Matthew 26:26-30**
Sermon Notes ♦ February 1, 2015

Introduction: **Communication:** A _____ **Business**

Verbal and _____ Communication

He _____ Bread

My Blood of the _____

Stated simply, a covenant is a _____.

Covenant is the storyline of the grandest of stories, a story that began before the beginning of time when God chose us in Christ to be His own (Ephesians 1:4), that exploded into time and space when God created us in His image (Genesis 1), was scandalously lost when our first parents rebelled (Genesis 3:1-7), was graciously restored when God promised a Redeemer (Genesis 3:15), was gloriously fulfilled when the Word became flesh (John 1:14), and will reach its spectacular consummation when we hear “a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.’” (Revelation 21:3).

- Susan Hunt, *Heirs of the Covenant*

A Faint _____

"And the scripture was fulfilled that says, 'Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness,' and he was called God's friend."
- James 2:23

_____ **with God**

The _____ of the Covenant

_____ **blood?**

“The sinful mind is hostile to God.... Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God.” - Romans 8:7,8

“The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men....”
- Romans 1:18

"... it is the blood that makes atonement for one's life."
- Leviticus 17:11

"... without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness."
- Hebrews 9:22

“...now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.”
- Ephesians 2:13

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace."
- Ephesians 1:7

Conclusion: **The Blood of the Covenant**