



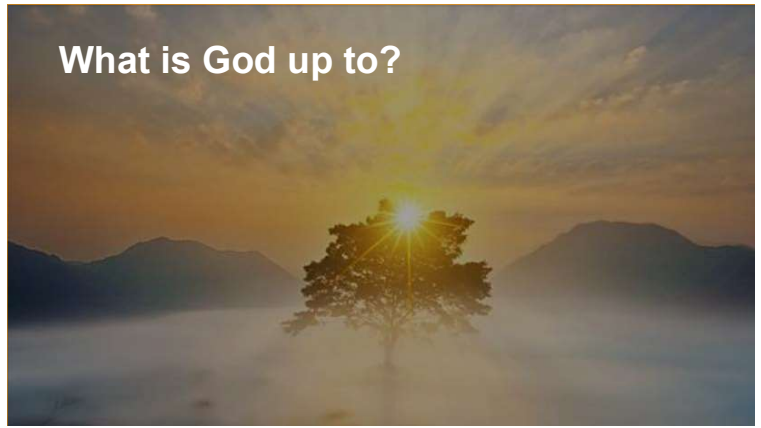
Message



- **Baptism saves a child**
- **Infant baptism is a relic of Christendom**
- **Sharing in communion requires cognition**

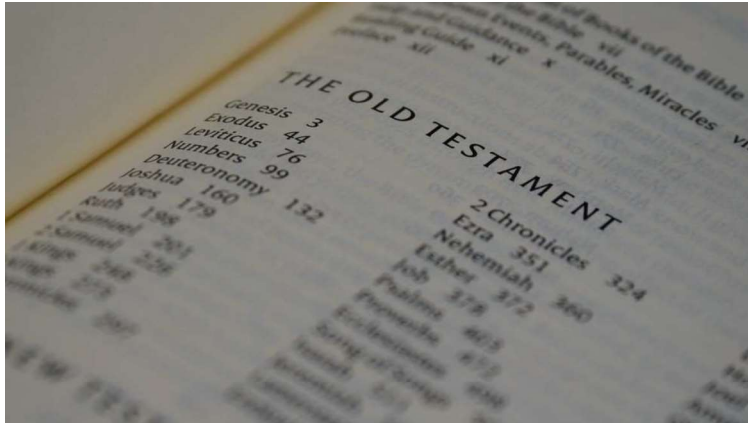


What is God up to?



**‘The rest of Scripture after the story of the Fall in Genesis 3 is the story of God working out in history the amazing plan of redemption whereby sinful people could come into fellowship with Himself.’
(Grudem, Systematic Theology)**

‘I will establish my covenant...to be your God and the God of your descendants after you.’ (Genesis 17:7)
‘Jesus Christ, who gave himself...to purify for himself a people that are his very own’ (Titus 2:14)



‘As for me, this is my covenant with you: you will be the father of many nations...I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you...’ (Gen. 17:4, 7)

**‘A covenant is an unchangeable, divinely imposed legal agreement between God and man that stipulates the conditions of their relationship.’
(Grudem, Systematic Theology)**

**‘The days are coming,’ declares the Lord,
‘when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel... This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel...’**

**I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.’
(Jeremiah 31:31, 33)**

**‘...only the covenant under Moses...is called the “old covenant”...to be replaced by the “new covenant” in Christ. The Mosaic covenant was...given for a time to restrain sins and...point people to Christ.’
(Grudem, Systematic Theology)**



'Then God said to Abraham, 'As for you, you must keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you for the generations to come...every male among you shall be circumcised. You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you.' (Genesis 17:9-11)

'Peter replied, 'Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call.' (Acts 2:38-39)

God's plan: a people of His own
God's plan: old and new covenants
God's plan: the place of children

'The promise is for you and your children...'

MP-33 *And can it be*

