The New Covenant

In This Age and the Next

Blood Payment

on Calvary Hill

Creation Flood Moses at Mt. Sinai Pentecost of Man

then go on to reason that **if** the Gentile Times have ended, **then** the New Covenant (and the Justification it provides) must end as well. <u>Not one scripture supports this, making adherents "condemned already".</u> (See John 3: 18) There is no "clean slate" after death as the Watchtower proposes, only a "resurrection of damnation" ahead for

Millennium Age

(Citizenship on Earth)

* Final Rebellion

the lost. ***Please carefully read Hebrews 9: 27 & John 5:29. ***

Watchtower believes we are here, 107 years into Jesus' rule. They

- * Resurrection of the Unrighteous
- * Great White Throne Judgement

- Rev. 20

Ages Past

Various covenants were made in ages past such as Adamic, Noahide, & the Abrahamic Covenants. Note: <u>Salvation has always been by grace through faith regardless of the Age.</u>

Ex. – "Abraham believed God and it was credited unto him as righteousness".

Age of Law

Moses Mediated the **Old Law Covenant** which used animal blood so that the idea of a *Substitute Death* would prepare people for the next covenant.

It was a tutor leading to Christ. The animals were expensive to provide. Covering sin is very costly to God as shown next.

NOTE: This Chart represents the traditional non-Catholic view of the New Covenant and the two time periods when it is available. JW's are typically unaware that most bible-believing Christians already believe that people will live in a "Paradise Earth", they just don't call it that. Historically, this is called the <u>Millennium Reign</u>.

This view does not require disobedience to Jesus' command to accept the New Covenant for forgiveness of sins in Mt. 26: 27-28. It is never advisable to disobey Jesus. (See also John 10: 27-28)

Age of Grace

(Citizenship in Heaven)

Jesus mediated the **New Covenant** "for forgiveness of sins" (Mt. 26: 27-28) and used his own blood as a Substitute Death (See 2 Cor. 5: 21) in place of the petitioning sinner. Its availability extends into the Millennium Age because survivors of the Great Tribulation will still have a sin nature that will be passed on to their children during this age. Salvation from judgement is guaranteed by the acceptance of the *sufficiency* of this agreement between God & the individual.

We Are Here

Any attempt to attach additional conditions to this agreement "for the forgiveness of sins", **such as required membership in a particular group**, good works, appeals to a Co-Mediator (like Mary), nullifies this contract. Rejection of the New Covenant at a personal level as most Jehovah's Witnesses practice at their Lord's Supper ceremony is in error & cursed. <u>Gal. 1: 8-9 makes this clear.</u>

"By the Works of the Law Shall No Flesh Be Justified" - Romans 3: 20

"If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his." - Romans 8: 9

"God...hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation." - 2 Cor. 5: 18-21

Christians preach primarily a "ministry of reconciliation". The "good news of the kingdom" will mostly be preached during the Tribulation by the 144,000 Jews.

New Heaven & Earth Age (Eternity)

No more sin-covering covenants are needed from this point forward. The sin nature has been permanently removed from all remaining peoples.

Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. – 1 Cor. 15: 24

We, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. - 2 Peter 3: 13

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