THE CONDITIONAL COVENANT OF LAW DESIGNED FOR HUMAN FAILURE

• Scripture Reading:

- Galatians 3:19-25
- Deuteronomy 11:22-28

INTRODUCTION

- Any <u>conditional</u> covenants will only be fulfilled if man fulfills <u>his</u> part of the agreement.
 - The problem with a conditional covenant is that man must place faith in himself to be able to keep his part of the agreement, instead of sole and completely relying on GOD ALONE to fulfill the covenant.
 - The conditional covenant of Law was designed for failure because of the presumption of fallen man to believe in themselves to be able to obey the Law's requirements
 - Ex 19:8 "all that the Lord has spoken we will do"
 - Question: Mark 10:17, cf Dan 12:2
 - Answer: Mark 10:19-21
 - Summation of the conditional covenant of Law
 - Deut 11:22-28

THE NT COMMENTARY ON MAN'S FAILURE UNDER THE COVENANT OF LAW

The Law was a 'babysitter', a 'kindergarten teacher' - Gal 2:23-25

The Law could not mature anyone - Heb 7:18-19, 10:1

The Law makes the knowledge of the sin nature <u>fully known</u> - Gal 3:19, Rom 3:20, 7:13

The Law is not out of faith - Gal 3:11-12, cf II Cor 5:7

The Law causes ALL the world to come under judgment - Rom 3:19

David

• Rom 4:5-8

Paul

• Rom 7:10-11

Peter

• Acts 15:7-11

THREE
TESTIMONIES
OF THOSE
WHO LIVED
UNDER THE
LAW

The Law was weak because of the flesh (i.e., the sin nature manifested through the body – Rom 8:3a)

But where sin abounded GRACE ABOUNDED MUCH MORE - Rom 5:20

CONCLUSION