### The Covenant Made in Eternity Which Made Our Salvation Secure

*Scripture Reading:* John 10:1-18, 27-30 Hebrews 13:20-21

#### REVIEW

The NT grace-believer's salvation consists of two parts:

YOU IN Christ and Christ IN YOU

The 4th Abrahamic covenant provided a singular <u>physical</u> Seed (Christ), who would become a multiple <u>spiritual</u> seed - all NT grace-believers, Holy Spirit baptized into Christ - Gal 3:16, 26-29

The New Covenant to the Church provided Eternal Life by means Christ indwelling each NT grace-believer - Jn 14:20, II Cor 3:3,6, I Jn 5:11-12

#### INTRODUCTION

The third covenant that relates exclusively to the Church is found in Hebrews 13:20-21. This covenant provides:

<u>Absolute security</u> of the other two covenants to the Church, being fulfilled, and The complementary effect of working together

#### WHO IS INVOLVED IN THE ETERNAL COVENANT?

#### ♦ The FATHER and THE SON

♦Heb 13: 20 – the two parties of the covenant

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#### WHAT WAS THE CONTENT THE ETERNAL COVENANT?

# ◆The Son would lay down His life (die)◇Jn 10:11

#### **♦ The Father would:**

Raise the Son out from dead-ones

# WHAT WAS THE CONTENT OF THE ETERNAL COVENANT?

 The Shepherd's death and resurrection would provide "the peace" between the Father and <u>these</u> sheep
 Heb 13:20, Rom 5:1

The Good Shepherd, who laid down His life <u>for</u> the sheep, would give His Eternal Life <u>to</u> the sheep
 Jn 14:20, Heb 13:21

## WHEN WAS THE CONTENT THE ETERNAL COVENANT MADE?

In eternity, before creation
Heb 13:20 - "...an eternal covenant..."

Four supporting Scripture verses
 Jn 4:24
 Jn 6:37-40
 I Pet 1:19-20
 Rev 13:8

#### CONCLUSION

The Eternal Covenant, made between the Father and the Son in eternity past, provided <u>with certainty</u>:

A flock of sheep, because the <u>Good</u> Shepherd laid down His life <u>for</u> the sheep, and

Eternal Life – the Great Shepherd's divine quality of Life – to the sheep

Therefore, the Eternal Covenant
 Puts all the sheep in the Shepherd, and
 Places the Shepherd's LIFE in the sheep