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- Joseph prophesied that the cupbearer would be restored to his **former** custom of giving wine to Pharaoh.
- In three days from now Pharaoh will lift up your head and he will certainly return you to your office, and you will certainly give Pharaoh's cup into his hand, according to the **former** custom when you acted as his cupbearer. ([Genesis 40:13](#))
- The pig was an unclean animal even though a splitter of the hoof and a **former** of a cleft in the hoof, because it did not also chew the cud.
- Also the pig, because it is a splitter of the hoof and a **former** of a cleft in the hoof, but it itself does not chew the cud. It is unclean for you. ([Leviticus 11:7](#))
- As for any beast that is a splitter of the hoof but is not a **former** of a cleft and is not a chewer of the cud, they are unclean for you. Everyone touching them will be unclean. ([Leviticus 11:26](#))
- When leprosy was found in the walls of a house, they must insert new stone to replace the **former** stones where the leprosy resided.
- And they must take other stones and insert them in the place of the **former** stones, and he will have different clay mortar taken, and he must have the house plastered. ([Leviticus 14:42](#))
- When a Nazirite defiled his holiness, he was to make a guilt offering and the **former** days of his service would go forgotten, for he must start over.
- And he must live as a Nazirite to Yehowah for the days of his Naziriteship, and he must bring a young ram in its first year as a guilt offering, and the **former** days will go uncounted because he defiled his Naziriteship. ([Numbers 6:12](#))
- Balak sent out princes to Balaam, more honorable than the **former** ones when he refused to help him.

- However, Balak sent again other princes in greater number and more honorable than the **former**. (**Numbers 22:15**)
- The Emim were a tall people who dwelt in Canaan in **former** times.
- The Emim dwelt in it in **former** times, a people great and numerous and tall like the Anakim. (**Deuteronomy 2:10**)
- Also the Horites dwelt there in **former** times.
- And the Horites dwelt in Seir in **former** times, and the sons of Esau proceeded to dispossess them and to annihilate them from before them and to dwell in their place, just the same as Israel must do to the land that is his holding, which Yehowah will certainly give to them. (**Deuteronomy 2:12**)
- The Rephaim also dwelt there in **former** times.
- As the land of the Rephaim it also used to be considered. The Rephaim dwelt in it in **former** times, and the Ammonites used to call them Zamzummim. (**Deuteronomy 2:20**)
- Moses asked the people to ask about the **former** times, in comparison to the present.
- Now ask, please, concerning the **former** days that occurred before you, from the day that God created man on the earth and from one end of the heavens clear to the other end of the heavens; Was any great thing brought about like this or was anything heard like it? (**Deuteronomy 4:32**)
- A **former** custom when making a repurchase was to draw off ones sandal as a witness, of what had transpired between the two men.
- Now this was the custom of **former** times in Israel concerning the right of repurchase and concerning the exchange, to establish every sort of thing. A man had to draw his sandal off and give it to his fellow, and this was the attestation in Israel. (**Ruth 4:7**)
- In **former** times men approached Yehowah God by going to a seer or prophet.

- In **former** times in Israel this was the way the man would have talked on his going to seek God; Come, and let us go to the seer. For the prophet of today used to be called a seer in former times. (**1 Samuel 9:9**)
- Saul began behaving as a prophet as he had **formerly** done, yet now he tried to kill David with his spear.
- And it came about the next day that God's bad spirit became operative upon Saul, so that he behaved like a prophet within the house, while David was playing music with his hand, as in **former** days, and the spear was in Saul's hand. (**1 Samuel 18:10**)
- The third chief of fifty appealed to not be treated as the **former** two chiefs by Elijah.
- Here fire came down from the heavens and went eating up the two **former** chiefs of fifty and their fifties, but now let my soul be precious in your eyes. (**2 Kings 1:14**)
- Hoshea failed to bring tribute to Assyria as in the **former** years.
- However, the king of Assyria got to find conspiracy in Hoshea's case, in that he had sent messengers to So the king of Egypt and did not bring the tribute up to the king of Assyria as in **former** years. Hence the king of Assyria shut him up and kept him bound in the house of detention. (**2 Kings 17:4**)
- Each nation worshiped according to their **former** ways, and there were none fearing Yehowah God.
- Down to this day they are doing according to their **former** religions. There were none fearing Yehowah and none doing according to his statutes and his judicial decisions and the Law and the commandment that Yehowah had commanded the sons of Jacob, whose name he made Israel. (**2 Kings 17:34**)
- And they did not obey, but it was according to their **former** religion that they were doing. (**2 Kings 17:40**)
- The land they found was good and had been in **former** times been the dwelling place of Ham.
- Eventually they found fat and good pasturage, and the land was

quite wide and having no disturbance but at ease, for those dwelling there in **former** times were of Ham. (1 Chronicles 4:40)

- Solomon laid the foundation of the house according to its **former** measurement of sixty cubits.
- And these things Solomon laid as a foundation for building the house of the true God, the length in cubits by the **former** measurement being sixty cubits, and the width twenty cubits. (2 Chronicles 3:3)
- Yehowah God continued with Jehoshaphat because he walked in the **former** ways of David.
- And Yehowah continued with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the **former** ways of David his forefather and did not search for the Baals. (2 Chronicles 17:3)
- When seeing the new temple foundation laid the men who has seen the **former** house wept.
- And many of the priests and the Levites and the heads of the paternal houses, the old men that had seen the **former** house, were weeping with a loud voice at the laying of the foundation of this house before their eyes, while many others were raising the voice in shouting for joy. (Ezra 3:12)
- And the sons of Israel, the priests and the Levites and the rest of the **former** exiles held the inauguration of this house of God with joy. (Ezra 6:16)
- And the **former** exiles proceeded to hold the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month. (Ezra 6:19)
- As the priests and the Levites had cleansed themselves as one group, they were all of them clean, and so they slaughtered the Passover victim for all the **former** exiles and for their brothers the priests and for themselves. (Ezra 6:20)
- The **former** exiles now presented burnt sacrifices there at the new temple.
- Those coming out of the captivity, the **former** exiles, themselves presented burnt sacrifices to the God of Israel, twelve bulls for

all Israel, ninety-six rams, seventy-seven male lambs, twelve he-goats as a sin offering, everything as a burnt offering to Yehowah. (**Ezra 8:35**)

- During Ezra's time a call pass throughout Judah to all the **former** exiles to collect themselves to Jerusalem.

- Then they caused a call to pass throughout Judah and Jerusalem for all the **former** exiles to collect themselves together at Jerusalem. (**Ezra 10:7**)

- And the **former** exiles proceeded to do that way, and Ezra the priest and the men that were the heads of the fathers for their paternal house, even all of them by their names, now separated themselves and began sitting on the first day of the tenth month to inquire into the matter. (**Ezra 10:16**)

- Nehemiah showed that the **former** governors of Judah had made the load heavy upon the people.

- As for the **former** governor's that were prior to me, they had made it heavy upon the people, and they kept taking from them for bread and wine daily forty silver shekels. Also, their attendants themselves domineered over the people. As for me, I did not do that way on account of the fear of God. (**Nehemiah 5:15**)

- Job called for his comforters to ask please of the **former** generation, and to the things their fathers taught them.

- Indeed, ask, please, of the **former** generation, and direct your attention to the things searched out by their fathers. (**Job 8:8**)

- The Psalmist asked pleadingly where the **former** acts of loving-kindness of Yehowah God had gone to.

- Where are your **former** acts of loving-kindness, O Yehowah, about which you swore to David in your faithfulness? (**Psalms 89:49**)

- The congregator showed that there is no remembrance of the people of **former** times.

- There is no remembrance of people of **former** times, nor will

there be of those also who will come to be later. There will prove to be no remembrance even of them among those who will come to be still later on. (**Ecclesiastes 1:11**)

- The congregator said that we should not think that the **former** days were better than today.

Do not say; Why has it happened that the **former** days proved to be better than these? For it is not due to wisdom that you have asked about this. (**Ecclesiastes 7:10**)

- When Yehowah exiled Samaria in Isaiah's day, the land experienced stress, and it was treated with contempt, by God and by the Assyrians he allowed to rule over it. This was the tribal inheritance of Zebulun and Naphtali to the West of the Jordan, which later became Samaria. Then many years later in the **First Century C.E.**, it was this same land that Yehowah caused to be honored. He did this by sending his own son, Jesus Christ, to this area to begin his earthly ministry. God is with his people.

- However, the obscureness will not be as when the land had stress, as at the **former** time when one treated with contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali and when at the later time one caused it to be honored, the way by the sea, in the region of the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. (**Isaiah 9:1**)

- The untended land, would serve as little more than a place to collect dried up twigs, for lighting a fire. All of this would come upon the Jews, spiritual Esau, because they were not a people of keen understanding! Their maker would show them no mercy, nor favor, because they were not like him, they were not spiritually minded.

- When her sprigs have dried up, women coming in will break them off, lighting them up. For it is not a people of keen understanding. That is why its Maker will show it no mercy, and its own **Former** will show it no favor. (**Isaiah 27:11**)

- What perversity to think, that they can prevent the **former's** word and will from being known. What arrogance! Since they are **clay** in their maker's hands, should they not listen to his voice? Clearly rejecting all counsel except the counsel that comes forth from their own small circle, is a course of foolishness, an isolating of oneself. Should not such men be actively searching out every source of wisdom?

- The perversity of you men! Should the potter himself be accounted just like the clay? For should the thing made say respecting its maker; He did not make me? And does the very thing formed actually say respecting its **former**; He showed no understanding? (**Isaiah 29:16**)
- Jacob or Israel represents the congregation of Spiritual Israel. Though living in Satan the Devil's world, they need not be afraid, because Yehowah, their **former**, has repurchased them from within it. For the sake of promises that he made to Abraham, his friend, and also to David, a man close to his heart, he will safeguard these repurchased ones, for they are now part of his family, his sons and daughters. For he says; You are mine!
- And now this is what Yehowah has said, your Creator, O Jacob, and your **Former**, O Israel; Do not be afraid, for I have repurchased you. I have called you by your name. You are mine. (**Isaiah 43:1**)
- Yet Yehowah states; Do not dwell on these **former** mighty acts of long ago. For I am about to do acts that are even greater than these.
- Do not remember the first things, and to the **former** things do not turn your consideration. (**Isaiah 43:18**)
- Has not Yehowah been the **former** and maker of Israel from its very inception? Did he not guide Jacob, and then the whole nation of Israel? Has he not also been guiding Spiritual Israel, based on the same pattern set by ancient Israel? Do not be afraid. He is with his people, Immanuel, and he will continue to discipline his people and bring them forth to a grand blessing.
- This is what Yehowah has said, your Maker and your **Former**, who kept helping you even from the belly; Do not be afraid, O my servant Jacob, and you, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. (**Isaiah 44:2**)
- Yehowah **formed** the Christian congregation and also the Son of Man. Yehowah laid out the heavens and the foundations of the earth. All of these things exist, only because of Yehowah's will, for by his will and power they came to be.

- This is what Yehowah has said, your Repurchaser and the **Former** of you from the belly; I, Yehowah, am doing everything, stretching out the heavens by myself, laying out the earth. Who was with me? (**Isaiah 44:24**)
- Should men contend with God, just as they contend with one another? Is not the **potter** far higher than earthenware fragments fallen to the ground? If we then, are mere earthenware fragments, the works of his hands, should we not then show special respect to the one who made us? Do we have any right to question what he has made? Can we ever rightfully criticize his work? Can we ever say that somehow he is lacking in skill, and that somehow we could do better? No Never!
- Woe to the one that has contended with his **Former**, as an earthenware fragment with the other earthenware fragments of the ground! Should the clay say to its former; What do you make? And your achievement say; He has no hands? (**Isaiah 45:9**)
- Instead of criticism of God, mankind should exhibit faith. They should ask him about the things that are coming, because they know him to be the one, that will bring them about. Yehowah delights when his people search him out spiritually regarding his unfolding purpose. Thus, is the clay worked into shape in the hands of its **former**. The **former** can do more with clay, that is responsive to his touch. Therefore, Seek Yehowah all you meek ones of the earth.
- This is what Yehowah has said, the Holy One of Israel and the **Former** of him; Ask me even about the things that are coming concerning my sons, and concerning the activity of my hands you people should command me. (**Isaiah 45:11**)
- Many men think that they can do as they please with God's earth, but Yehowah has a purpose of his own for our earth. He will not leave it in the custodial care of men, who seek to ruin and destroy it. (**Revelation 1:18**) He originally **formed** earth as a permanent home for the human family, and his grand purpose is what will come to be.
- For this is what Yehowah has said, the Creator of the heavens, He the true God, the **Former** of the earth and the Maker of it, He the One who firmly established it, who did not create it simply for nothing, who formed it even to be inhabited; I am Yehowah, and there is no one else. (**Isaiah 45:18**)

- Since the end of the **First Century C.E.** when the Christian Congregation fell into apostasy, it has been in a devastated condition. Since then, the **Sun, Yehowah, the Moon, his angelic organization in heaven,** and the **Stars, his anointed sons in heaven and on earth,** have not given any **spiritual light** up until these Last Days. The true sons of Zion will come back to earth through a resurrection from the dead, and they will immediately get busy restoring the **desolated places of former times, the true Christianity of the First Century Congregation of God.** These **places** have lain **desolate** for generation after generation, but will now be restored.
- And they must rebuild the long-standing devastated places, they will raise up even the desolated places of **former** times, and they will certainly make anew the devastated cities, the places desolate for generation after generation. (**Isaiah 61:4**)
- Then there will be unity of thought and of **faith, belief,** for there will be no more false religion, everyone will swear by Yehowah the God of faith. Then the **stresses, Greek, thilipis, or tribulation** will be over and they will be quickly forgotten as God's people walk unitedly in the ways of peace. They will be as if concealed from our eyes by the abundant goodness of God's New Order of righteousness.
- So that anyone blessing himself in the earth will bless himself by the God of faith, and anyone making a sworn statement in the earth will swear by the God of faith, because the **former** distresses will actually be forgotten and because they will actually be concealed from my eyes. (**Isaiah 65:16**)
- The New Heavens that God is making are represented symbolically by the Sun, Moon, Stars. They in turn represent the **Sun, Yehowah God, the Moon, his angelic heavenly organization, the Stars, his spirit anointed sons on earth and in heaven.** [See also **Revealing The Sons Of God – Chapter Seven**]. The New Earth, is rulership by the Greater Joseph, the Son of Man, along with a remnant of anointed ones who will rule as Zion alongside him. The former things, false religion, greedy commerce, beastlike governments, and an oppressive military, will no longer be called to mind, for life will be good, dramatically changed, and the old ways will no longer come up into the heart.
- For here I am creating new heavens and a new earth, and the **former** things will not be called to mind, neither will they come up into the heart. (**Isaiah 65:17**)

- The share, or hope of Jacob is not one of shame, for Yehowah God is not a mere lifeless idol, but he is the true and living God, and he is the **former** of everything. Spiritual Israel will be the staff, the ruling instrument of his dominion in the New Order. They will inherit all of the earth.
- The Share of Jacob is not like these things, for he is the **Former** of everything, and Israel is the staff of his inheritance. Yehowah of armies is his name. (**Jeremiah 10:16**)
- Then Yehowah will multiply his people like the sands of the seas as in the **former** times of long ago. The way of the truth will then become firmly established. Also, all of the oppressive nations, that abused his people down through time, he will give his attention to them, and bring them to ruin. True worship will be given a place on earth, a place of honor and respect for the thousand years.
- And his sons must become as in **former** times, and before me his own assembly will be firmly established. And I will turn my attention upon all his oppressors. (**Jeremiah 30:20**)
- What confidence it is to know that Yehowah the **former** of the heaven and the earth is with us. As earth's **former**, he knows everything about all of creation, and so there is no question, that he cannot answer for us, and no problem that he cannot solve. His interest in earth is not transient, but long-lasting and he will surely bring about all of the good things, that he has purposed regarding it.
- This is what Yehowah the Maker of earth has said; Yehowah the **Former** of it to establish it firmly, Yehowah being his name. (**Jeremiah 33:2**)
- However his people would give him an honorable burial, and they would raise up a lament over him at his death. He would die there in peace in Babylon, and never be allowed to return to his homeland. He had dishonored the covenant.
- In peace you will die. As with the burnings for your fathers, the **former** kings who happened to be prior to you, so they will make a burning for you, and Alas, O master! Is what they will say in lament for you, for I myself have spoken the very word, is the utterance of Yehowah. (**Jeremiah 34:5**)

- The Share of Jacob is Yehowah, Jacob's God. He is not an idol or the figment of men's imagination. He was not crafted by men, he **formed** mankind. He also **formed** everything seen and unseen, and he is the one who gives to Israel or Jacob power to rule, and to bring in his glorious Kingdom rule earthwide.
- The Share of Jacob is not like these things, for he is the **Former** of everything, even the staff of his inheritance. Yehowah of armies is his name. ([Jeremiah 51:19](#))
- Christendom, her daughters and all of her dependent towns will all return to their **former** state, they are all alienated from being a part of Yehowah's earthly organization. Jehovah's Witnesses because they have done even worse than Christendom will also return to their former state, rejected by their mother and father and kicking in their blood. They did not take to heart why Yehowah helped them and that they must help others accordingly.
- And your own sisters, Sodom and her dependent towns, will return to their **former** state, and Samaria and her dependent towns will return to their former state, and you yourself and your own dependent towns will return to your former state. ([Ezekiel 16:55](#))
- During the time that Yehowah will restore a repentant remnant and bring them back to their land, their spiritual estate and he will greatly multiply both the nation and their flocks. His blessings upon them will be even greater than before his **former** disciplining of them. Look at the successive courses of the Jews, Christianity, Christendom and Jehovah's Witnesses. After each disciplining a greater blessings fell to the repentant ones. An even grander blessing is yet ahead.
- Yes, I will multiply upon you humankind and animalkind, and they will certainly multiply and become fruitful, and I shall actually cause you to be inhabited as in your **former** condition and I will do more good than in your initial state, and you will have to know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 36:11](#))
- Since the original rebellion in the Garden of Eden God's prophets have repeatedly spoken of Satan the Devil's certain destruction, and his enmity toward the true seed. He is the same defiant one, he has not changed.
- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Are you the

same one of whom I spoke in the **former** days by the hand of my servants the prophets of Israel, who were prophesying in those days, years, as to bringing you in upon them? (**Ezekiel 38:17**)

- Yehowah now shows Amos, that he is the very **former** of the mountains, and also the creator of the wind. He, through his prophets, and by his word the Bible, tells to mankind what their mental concern should be in life. He is the one that can turn the brightness of dawn into obscurity, for he alone treads upon earth's high places, for Yehowah the God of armies is his name.
- For, look! The **Former** of the mountains and the Creator of the wind, and the One telling to earthling man what his mental concern is, the One making dawn into obscurity, and the One treading on earth's high places, Yehowah the God of armies is his name. (**Amos 4:13**)
- Of what benefit has a carved image or a molten statue been to its **former** after he **formed** it. All it can ever be toward its **former** is to become an instructor in falsehood, toward anyone who would come to trust in it. Men can only make valueless gods that are speechless, they can do nothing at all for the sons of men.
- Of what benefit has a carved image been, when the **former** of it has carved it, a molten statue, and an instructor in falsehood? when the former of its form has trusted in it, to the extent of making valueless gods that are speechless? (**Habakkuk 2:18**)
- So he congregates the people, and then asks them who among them was around to see the **former** temple constructed by Solomon, a truly glorious structure. Then he asks them to look at the present site, and make a comparison in their mind's eye. Then he asks them, is the current temple not as nothing in comparison to what they remember the previous temple to have been.
- Who is there among you that is remaining over who saw this house in its **former** glory? And how are you people seeing it now? Is it not, in comparison with that, as nothing in your eyes? (**Haggai 2:3**)
- Then Zechariah warned the men of Judah, not to become like their forefathers, whom the **former** prophets repeatedly called upon to return to Yehowah God from their bad ways, and their bad dealings.

Yet they did not listen, and they paid no attention to those prophets, and thus, pushed Yehowah God aside in their lives.

- **Do not become like your fathers to whom the **former** prophets called, saying; This is what Yehowah of armies has said; Return, please, from your bad ways and from your bad dealings. But they did not listen, and they paid no attention to me, is the utterance of Yehowah. (Zechariah 1:4)**
- **Then Yehowah God shows them, that they should obey the words of Yehowah God, that he called out by means of his **former** prophets, back when their holy city of Jerusalem was still inhabited, and lying at ease, with all of her dependent towns lying all around her, and while the Negeb and the Shephelah were still inhabited.**
- **Should you not obey the words that Yehowah called out by means of the **former** prophets, while Jerusalem happened to be inhabited, and at ease, with her cities all around her, and while the Negeb and the Shephelah were inhabited? (Zechariah 7:7)**
- **Back then, Yehowah's people had made their hearts like an emery stone, so as to keep from obeying the Law Covenant, and the words of Yehowah God send through his spirit to his **former** approved prophets. The net result of all of this was indignation from Yehowah God against his people, and his sending them forth into exile off of the Promised Land.**
- **And their heart they set as an emery stone to keep from obeying the Law and the words that Yehowah of armies sent by his spirit, by means of the **former** prophets, so that there occurred great indignation on the part of Yehowah of armies. (Zechariah 7:12)**
- **So then, Yehowah God now promises not to treat his people as in the **former** days, when they became alienated from him.**
- **And now I shall not be as in the **former** days to the remaining ones of this people, is the utterance of Yehowah of armies. (Zechariah 8:11)**
- **The Jews asked Jesus why his disciples did not follow the tradition of the men of **former** times.**
- **Why is it your disciples overstep the tradition of the men of **former** times? For example, they do not wash their hands when**

about to eat a meal. ([Matthew 15:2](#))

- For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands up to the elbow, holding fast the tradition of the men of **former** times. ([Mark 7:3](#))
- So these Pharisees and scribes asked him; Why is it your disciples do not conduct themselves according to the tradition of the men of **former** times, but they take their meal with defiled hands? ([Mark 7:5](#))
- To those who rejected Paul's preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom, he was an odor issuing from death to death, like the slaughtered animals who never came inside of the tent, but whose lifeblood, where the spirit dwells within, was scattered there at the base of the altar. But to the **former** ones who accepted Christ's work as High Priest, Paul became a sweet smelling odor issuing from life to life. For Christians gain everlasting life through this very sacrifice of preaching to others, and then they in turn must take up this work and help others. Thus an odor issuing from life to life.
- To the latter ones an odor issuing from death to death, to the **former** ones an odor issuing from life to life. And who is adequately qualified for these things? ([2 Corinthians 2:16](#))
- Anointed Christians then should put away this old personality, that was trained or **formed** in these wicked practices and wicked ways of thinking, and which conducted itself according to the way of the world, and which was being corrupted by Satan the Devil's deceptive desires.
- That you should put away the old personality which conforms to your **former** course of conduct and which is being corrupted according to his deceptive desires. ([Ephesians 4:22](#))
- The **earlier** ones mentioned it out of contentiousness, for their motives were not pure, for they only wanted to stir up even more trouble for Paul, and for Christianity in general.
- But the **former** do it out of contentiousness, not with a pure motive, for they are supposing to stir up tribulation for me in my prison bonds. ([Philippians 1:17](#))

- Now when a better arrangement comes along we will gladly take back a **former** old agreement. For example; If your current mortgage lender called you up, and told you to come to his office, because he was cutting your existing loan in **half**, and wanted you to come down and sign the new papers, and he would then rip up the old agreement, would you not rush down to sign that new agreement? Thus the New Covenant is better than the **former** Law Covenant, and it supersedes it, making it null and void, because the same obedience is obtained through a better method, one that will bring true success. Thus, that which is made obsolete, and growing old, is passing away forever, like a bowl of red stew once it is eaten. The new promise is better than the old one, for it works! [\[Revealing The Sons Of God Chapter 4\]](#)
- In his saying a New Covenant he has made the **former** one obsolete. Now that which is made obsolete and growing old is near to vanishing away. ([Hebrews 8:13](#))
- Therefore the **former** covenant, the Law Covenant, had its rules or ordinances of sacred service, and a mundane holy place, that is, it was mundane, when compared, to that which it was patterned after, the real tent of meeting in the heavens.
- For its part, then, the **former** covenant used to have ordinances of sacred service and its mundane holy place. ([Hebrews 9:1](#))
- So then, this is why Jesus Christ is the mediator of a New Covenant, for since a death has occurred for their release by ransom, from their transgressions under the **former** Law Covenant, the ones, that have been called to God's sacred service, might receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance.
- So that is why he is a mediator of a New Covenant, in order, that, because a death has occurred for their release by ransom from the transgressions under the **former** covenant, the ones who have been called might receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance. ([Hebrews 9:15](#))
- Paul shows, that even the **former** Law Covenant was inaugurated over dead victims, and through the pouring out of blood.
- Consequently neither was the **former** covenant inaugurated without blood. ([Hebrews 9:18](#))

- Paul now reminds these anointed sons of God, that they **formerly** endured a great contest of suffering and persecution following their enlightenment by Yehowah God through his spirit, and they were happy to do so, due to his great undeserved kindness then upon them.
- However, keep on remembering the **former** days in which, after you were enlightened, you endured a great contest under sufferings. (**Hebrews 10:32**)
- Jesus called for true Christians to remember from what they had fallen, and repent and do the **former** deeds.
- Therefore remember from what you have fallen, and repent and do the **former** deeds. If you do not, I am coming to you, and I will remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. (**Revelation 2:5**)
- Satan and his demons were the wicked spirit forces in the heavenly places that dominated the **former** heavens. Now Satan and his demons are gone forever. God's Kingdom of a thousand years has demonstrated that rule in love and according to principle is fair and just to all and it works perfectly. Truly it is a **new heavens** over mankind, not only a new way of rule but also an enduring one. The **old earth made up of men who, let truth get quickly away from them**, has been transformed into a **new earth, where the waters of truth sink in deeply** really making mankind produce and sprout.
- And I saw a new heaven and a new earth. For the **former** heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea is no more. (**Revelation 21:1**)
- Yehowah will then walk among the sons of men allowing them to see a small portion of his glory. Then there will be only tears of joy. There will be no grief over losses of their loved ones, no mourning, no outcry or pain of loss from death, for it is no more. The entire way of life that men once knew of living for a few short years and then dying will be gone forever. The former things, Adamic death, have passed away.
- And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The **former** things have passed away. (**Revelation 21:4**)