

Religious Relationship:

Sinner saved by grace, placed on the battle field to fight the devil, holding on during trials and tribulations, so that one day you will make it heaven (if you lucky)

Revelation Relationship:

We are covenant partners with God and therefore share in His **power (Word)**, **purpose (Will)**, and **presence (Wealth)**.

#### 4 Primary Conditions of a Covenant with God

Jeremiah 7:22-24

- 1) Hear the Word
- 2) Believe the Word
- 3) Act upon the Word
- 4) **Obey** (in spite of circumstance) the Word

#### Why Obey God

- It's our duty – Christ “purchased” us with His death
- Show of faith
- Hope in future blessing
- Love for God (John 14:15 – if you love Me, you will keep My commands)
  - 1John 2:4-5
- To empower our witness
- Bring us closer to Christ/God

#### We Can't Obey God On Our Own

- Galatians 5:17 / Romans 7:15-8:1
- Obey God when it's good reward (health / wealth) but what about “love your enemies”
- We don't like to wait

#### God Helps Us To Obey Him

- Your will power is not enough (like fasting without God's help)
- Jeremiah 24:7
- 2 Corinthians 3:18
  - So the Spirit helps us obey by enabling us to see Jesus' glory.
- God will answer your prayer, the Spirit will remove unbelief, you will see the glory, it will bring joy satisfying your hear, and you will obey (be patient, love enemy)