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Nyack Heritage Solemn Covenant

Today's English:

I pray with deep remorse for past actions, and I now desire to dedicate myself to God. I acknowledge my sinful nature and the justness of God's sentence. I recognize my limitations, and that I cannot trust my own heart and I now look to God as the ultimate judge of my intentions. The fall of man and the inheritance of sin and death were the results of Adam's disobedience.

God through Jesus Christ offers salvation to all who believe in Him. I admit my sinful nature, and I need a mediator, in this case, Jesus, to approach God and receive eternal life. I plead with God to strengthen me through His Spirit as I covenant with Him for eternal life.

I accept the covenant with God, and I commit myself to the belief that Jesus is my savior. Jesus is my Prophet, Priest, and King, and only through him can I find salvation. God has made me willing to come to him, and I yield myself entirely so I can be used for his glory. Take away my rebellious thought and bring everything that opposes his authority into subjection.

Can you ratify my covenant and remember it, especially in the time of judgment, and in the hour of temptation? My belief in you will help me remain true to my covenant, and to be with God forever in heaven. I know I have weaknesses and that I can only be strong and successful

through God's strength. Jesus is the captain of my salvation, and I trust in his love. I pray that you continue to guide and protect me in keeping the commitment I made in the covenant.

Please fulfill the blessings of the New Covenant, particularly the gift of the Holy Spirit, the guarantee of eternal life. Can I have a double portion of the Holy Spirit so that I can go and proclaim God's ways and laws to others? Can God sanctify me wholly and make me fit for heaven? I ask for all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

I am a soldier of the cross and a follower of Jesus, who is my one and only king. I ask for God's support and strength, and for God to be with me forever. I devote myself to Jesus, I willingly serve and follow him and all things.

Can God guide me through my life circumstances? I ask for a moderate standard of living to avoid the temptations of poverty or riches. I ask for God's Spirit and protection in my heart at all times and I desire to find happiness and salvation through a close relationship with God.

My Solemn Covenant: The Dedication of Myself to God

Heavenly Father, I come before you today with a humble and contrite heart. I confess that I have sinned against you and have fallen short of your glory. I have disobeyed your commands and have not lived up to your expectations. I have failed to love you with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength and have not loved others as I should have. I ask for your forgiveness and grace.

I reckon it must be hard to look at me knowing that I have been absent from church for years now, but I would like to explain myself. However, I am not using this to excuse my behavior. I left the church I was in elementary school as my family's beliefs no longer aligned

with theirs. They began hosting events only certain Christians were allowed to attend, my family being one of them, and we did not see this to be something God would have wanted us to take part in as we should all be welcomed in no matter what. They were hosting events for people who donated more money than others, and this division sparked great outrage in my family as there should not be a social divide based on our economic status, so we left.

I never got to truly experience your greatness because of the uncomfortable position my family was put through. Now I come to you today with a humble and repentant heart. I have strayed from your path and I ask for your forgiveness and for the opportunity to come back to you and live my life according to your will. Please guide me and give me the strength to overcome my weaknesses and follow your commandments. I trust in your love and mercy, and I know that with you by my side, I can overcome anything.

I believe that Jesus Christ, your Son, died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead. I trust in His sacrifice as the full payment for my sins. I receive Him as my Lord and Savior and ask that you would cleanse me from all unrighteousness. I also ask for your help in turning away from my sins and living a life that is pleasing to you. I need your strength and guidance to overcome my sinful nature and to live according to your will. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and empower me to obey you and to love others as you have loved me.

I make this covenant before God, trusting in His faithfulness and grace to empower me to keep it. I will love and serve God with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength. I will obey God's commands and follow His will for my life. I will trust in God's love and grace and put my faith in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. I will share the Good News of Jesus Christ with others and be a witness for Him in the world. I will love and serve others as I love and serve myself. I

will be a faithful steward of the resources and blessings that God has given me. I will seek to grow in my knowledge and understanding of God through prayer, the study of the Bible, and being part of a community of believers. I will confess and repent of my sins, and strive to live in righteousness and holiness before God. I will remember that my ultimate goal is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.