

The Modern English Translation of
“A Solemn Covenant”
The Dedication of Myself to God.” By Albert Benjamin Simpson
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“You everlasting God and almighty God. Ruler of the universe. You who have made this world for me. Your creatures on the earth. You who are in every place, and can see good and evil. You see me at this time and know all my thoughts. I know and feel that my inner thoughts are familiar with you. And you know my motives have induced me to come to you at this time. I appeal to you. You who searches hearts. So far like I know in my own heart, it is not a worldly motive that has brought me before you right now. But my heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked; and I would not pretend to trust it. But you know that I have a desire to dedicate myself to you for time and eternity. I would come before you as a sinner, lost and ruined by the fall. And by my actual transgressions, yea, wicked as all the creatures when I look back on my past life, I am filled with shame and confusion. I am rude and ignorant, and in your sight I am a beast. You, Lord, did not make Adam holy and happy. And gave him the ability to maintain his state. The penalty of his obedience was death, but he disobeyed the holy law and incurred that penalty, and I am a descendant of him. I have inherited this depravity and this penalty. I acknowledge the justness of your sentence, Lord and would bow in submission before you.”

“How can you, Lord, confound me, a wicked creature? For it is infinite condescension to notice me. Your loving kindness is infinite and everlasting. You, Lord, did not send your son an image with a body like mine and a reasonable soul. In him were united all of the perfections of the Godhead with the humility of our sinful nature. He is the mediator of the new covenant, and through him we all have access unto him by the same spirit. Through Jesus, the only mediator, I would come to him. Lord and trusting His Merits and mediation, I would boldly approach his throne of grace. I feel my own significance, Lord but you strengthen me by your spirit. I would now approach you in order of covenant for thee with everlasting. You in his has told us that is your will that all who believe in his own might have everlasting life and you will raise him up till the last day. You have given us a new covenant and have sealed that covenant in your blood, Jesus on the cross.”

“I now declare before you, and before my conscience and bear witness, heavens and all inhabitants and the earth which my God has made, that I accept the condition of this covenant and close with its terms. These are that I believe in Jesus and accept salvation through him. My prophet, priest, and king, as made unto me of God wisdom and righteousness and sanctification and redemption completed salvation. You, God has made me willing to come to you. You have subdued my rebellious heart by your love. So now take it and use it for your glory. Whatever rebellious thoughts may come therefore, you overcome them and bring into subjection everything that is opposite of itself to your authority. I yield myself unto you as one alive from the dead, for time and eternity. Take me and use me entirely for your glory. “

“Ratify now in Heaven, you my father, this covenant, remember it, lord, when you bring me to the jordan. Remember it, Lord, on that day when you overcome with all of the angels and saints to judge the world, may I be at your right hand then and heaven with you forever. Write down in heaven that you become yours, you only, and yours forever. Remember me God, in the hour of temptation, and never let me depart from this covenant. I feel Lord my own weakness and now make it my strength or I will fail. But in your strength, captain of my salvation. I will be strong and more than a conqueror through him who loved me.”

“I have now, Lord, as you have made in your word, covenant with you. Not for worldly honors or fame but everlasting life. And I know that you are true and you will never break your words. Give me all of your blessings, of the the new covenant and especially with the Holy Spirit in great abundance which is the earnest of my inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession. May a double portion of your spirit rest on me and I will go and proclaim to your transgressors your way and your laws to the people. Sanctify me whole and make me fit for heaven. Give me all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.”

“I am now a soldier of the cross and a follower of the lamb, and my motto is “ I have one king, even Jesus. “ support and strengthen me, my captain and mine forever.”

“Place me in whatever circumstances that you desire. But if is your holy will, I desire that you give me poverty not wealth. Feed me with food, I want to be poor and not steal. Or maybe I will be rich and say “ who is God” but your will be done. Now give me your holy Spirit and your protection in my heart at all times and then I will drink of the rivers of salvation, lie down by still waters and be infinitely happy in the favor for my God.”

My Personal Covenant

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God I have the feeling that you have called me to be a teacher. You have shown time and time again why I would be a good teacher. I often find myself taking leadership positions or helping people to understand an idea or subject in a better way. Such as the time that I was a director for the adventurer club or the time that I helped my professor with his class since he had a meeting. If it is your will to make me switch majors I will, I believe that you can help me gain my confidence back and help me to not feel stupid when it comes to teaching people. After what happened in the summer with the girls at camp, I lost every power in me to lead. But I know that the enemy is attacking me and you can reveal yourself to me and make me be more willing to understand your calling over my life.

My pride is high God and I often feel like I know a lot when in reality I do not know much. I am hesitant to receive corrections from people at times. Please help me to be more willing and open to receiving corrections and criticisms. Create in me a clean heart and purify me. I want to be ready for whatever that you have installed for me in my life. With this covenant that I am making I hope that it truly helps me to continue. I know that you're able to remind me of the words that I write. I do not want to become comfortable in what I am doing right now that I am not letting myself grow or really listening to the knowledge, correction or criticism that is being presented to me.

Lord, I am making this covenant with you because I truly want to do right by you. My heart yearns to be closer to you and to make it to heaven. I want the goodness that you are offering and the peace and love and joy that you promised us in heaven. I took the Five Fold survey test and it said evangelism is my strongest suit. I thought it was teaching all of this time,

but Lord I am asking you to please reveal to me what you want me to know, reveal to me what I should be focused on, what I should be working toward to bring more souls to you. As christian it is my job to hopefully impact someone in a positive way and I want to do that. Please do not let anything stand in my way to take me away from your will. I feel like I am being wiped out at the moment, but I have seen time and time again how you have helped me. Lord please help me stay true to my covenant and to carry out your work.