

The “Dayspring” From On High

Luke 1:67-80
(Part 3: vv.76-80)

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The New Covenant

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The Plan & Purpose of Salvation

- Foretelling & forth telling
- The Plan: the covenants
- The Purpose: mercy, grace, and worship

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“Behold, days are coming,” declares Yahweh, “**when I will cut a new covenant** with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, not like the covenant which I cut with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, but I was a husband to them,” declares Yahweh.

“But this is the covenant which I will cut with the house of Israel after those days,” declares Yahweh: “**I will put My law within them, and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. “And they will not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, ‘Know Yahweh,’ for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,” declares Yahweh, “for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”**”

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Prophet of Salvation

- John will set the stage, till the soil
- John will preach the “New Covenant”
 - Jeremiah 31:31-34
 - From external to internal
 - No hierarchy—available to all

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The Peace of Salvation

- Romans 3:10-18
- “Dayspring”
 - From darkness to light!
 - From distress to peace!
 - From death to life!