

Covenant Discussion and Case Studies

Covenant Story

With one partner, discuss:

At a point in time you became part of the covenant thread.

In two–three minutes, tell your story about how you entered into the covenant thread.

Combine with another couple to make a quad and discuss:

At a point in time you became part of your local covenant Bride of Christ (local church).

Share a reason you feel called to be part of this body.

Case Studies

How could your ministry approach these problems in a way that is consistent with the Doctrine of the Covenant?

1. The women's ministry team at your church had instituted a discipleship formatted Bible study that had been going for two years. Because of a new team, and a personal tragedy, follow up for fall plans were not made. Only four people show up the first day.
 - How does the sovereignty of the covenant affect the decision making about the future of the group?
2. A woman who has been very involved in your women's ministry teaching Bible studies and discipling young women, feels she is being called to go back to work. This is due to a need in her family and under the leadership and direction of her husband. She is grieving the fact that she will no longer be a vital part of the women's ministry.
 - How might you encourage her keeping in mind the characteristics of the covenant?
3. A young man was converted through a prison ministry in your church. The mother of his children is now attending your church and has professed her faith in Christ. The couple has expressed a desire to be married. Their children are a bit unruly and are disrupting things at church. Their spiritual, physical, and emotional needs and issues are far-reaching and overwhelming.
 - How can the women in your church be agents of redemption in this situation?
 - How can your women tangibly and intangibly come alongside this couple to show them the beauty of the gospel?