

Covenant vs **Contract**





Society's view of marriage

- A social contract based on self-gratification
- A commitment based on convenience
- A terminal contract

Contract

- Legally binding document
- Has a start and end date
- Agreement
- Written on paper
- Signed
- Fulfilled if mutually beneficial
- It's a deal
- Can be terminated by either party

Covenant

- Spiritual agreement
- “For as long as we both shall live”
- Pledge
- Written on our hearts
- Sealed
- Fulfilled regardless of personal benefit
- It's a relationship
- Can be terminated at a high price (tearing apart of flesh)

JUDGMENTS AND VOWS





Everyone is doing it

Judgments and vows are as
common as potatoes... or ugali... or
sukuma wiki... or....



Judgments come from

- Bad (ungodly) experiences
- Bad (unscriptural) teaching
- Flawed belief systems
 - About God
 - About Self
 - About Others



Vows come from

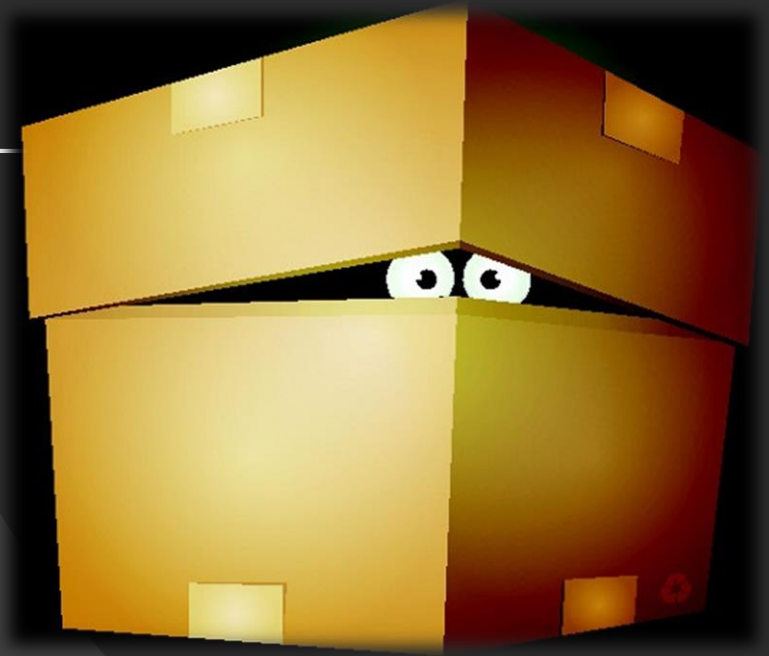
- Judgments
- The judgments you've made about yourself
- The judgments you've made about God
- The judgments you've made about others

Your judgments and vows may be hiding

Judgments and vows often lay dormant and remain hidden for a long time, until something triggers them and brings them to the surface.

But they WILL come to the surface.

They are likely affecting your life right now and you don't realize it.



What to do

Relationship – with God is where Freedom begins

Recognize – the vow or judgment, the sin

Responsibility – take responsibility for the sin

Repent – turn from and turn to

Renounce – separate yourself from the sin. Fall out of agreement with the vow or judgment