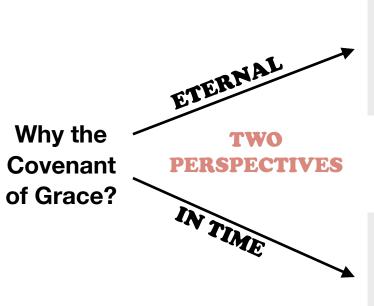
# Covenant of Grace (CT04)

#### Objectives

- 1. Understand the relationship between the covenants of works & grace
- 2. Understand the two perspectives for the covenant of grace
- 3. Understand God's relationship with Christ, from an "in time" perspective

### Why a Covenant of Grace?

- Purpose:
  - resolves the problem created by \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - God chose NOT to leave all of mankind in their "state of sin & misery"
- Needed: a way to achieve perfect obedience, but apart from man
- Biblically: the covenant of grace runs from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_
- The covenant of grace: the \_\_\_\_\_\_ by which God takes man from his situation in SIN and moves him to a new situation under GRACE.



"God having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace..." (WSC 20)

"...to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer" (WSC 20)

- · Two perspectives from which to look at it:
  - 1. ETERNAL (agreement made before time began): often called the "covenant of redemption" (Intra-trinitarian)
  - 2. IN TIME: often simply referred to as the "covenant of grace" (see below) CT04-1

## Glimpse of a Way Out (of a Future Covenant...)

The first promise of redemption: Genesis 3:15

- who are the two parties involved?
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_ and his offspring
  - 2. the \_\_\_\_\_ and her offspring
- "enmity" => hatred or hostility
  - · enmity between whom?
  - · Good or bad?
- Who are "the offspring" of the woman?
  - according to Gen 4 & 5?
  - according to Romans 16:20?
- Who are "the offspring" of Satan (see John 8:44)?
- Who crushes / bruises whose head?
- Who strikes / bruises whose heel?
- How about YOU?
  - What is YOUR problem, as a result of the covenant of works?
  - Who is your ENEMY?
  - How are you going to OVERCOME?

## THE Way Out (Lived Out in Redemptive History)

