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*“I have redeemed you”* **v.1**

**Isaiah 43:1-7**

*“I love you”* **v.4**

*“I will be with you”* **v.5**

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*This reveals the heart of God  
for the world ...  
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A covenant in the ancient world was similar to what we in the modern world would call a contract, treaty, or will.

## Each covenant established ...

- the basis of a relationship,
- the conditions for that relationship,
- the promises of the relationship,
- and
- the consequences if those conditions were unmet.

*One of the most familiar examples of a covenant is marriage.*



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**How about you?**

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**How about your neighbor, your workmate?**

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How about you?

How about your neighbor, your workmate?

**How about your golfing buddy or 'buddet'?**

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