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Conflict: While God is faithful, our tendency is to mess up. It's called sin and it's ugly.

Christ: He is the only One who can save us in our mess.

Understanding the covenant:

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- God wants a relationship with us. It's done on His terms and in alignment with His character.

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1. The promise before the covenant.
2. The promise of descendants.
3. The title deed to the land.
4. The confirmation with a blood sacrifice.

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- Jesus is the blood sacrifice in the new covenant.—Hebrews 9:13-14
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