"THE PROMISE OF COMPLETE PARDON" HEBREWS 8:12

- I. THIS PROMISE IS NOT A CONTRADICTION, BUT A CONTRAST TO THE PARDON EXPERIENCED UNDER THE OLD COVENANT
 - A. The Mosaic Law Provided No Legal Basis For The Just Exercise Of God's Mercy
 - 1. No One Of God's Attributes Can Be Forfeited, Even In The Salvation Of Sinners
 - 2. All Of God's Actions Are In Keeping With His Character
 - a. Exodus 34:7
 - **b. Romans 3:26**
 - B. The Mosaic Sacrifices Never Fully Satisfied The Justice Of God
 - 1. There Is No Natural Or Moral Equivalency Between Amoral Beasts & Human Beings (Hebrews 10:1, 4, 11)
 - 2. God Withheld From Old Covenant Participants, The Sense Of Finality That We Enjoy Today, Concerning The Permanent Removal Of Our Sins
 - a. At Some Point The Question Would Eventually & Inevitably Enter The Worshipper's Mind: "Why Must We Do This Over & Over & Over Again?"
 - b. The Way Into The Holiest Was Not Yet Made Apparent
- II. ONLY UNDER THE NEW COVENANT COULD GOD EVER BE PROPITIOUS & MERCIFUL TOWARD MAN'S UNRIGHTEOUSNESS
 - A. It's Not About Whether We Remember Our Sins Or Not
 - B. It's About God's Ability & Willingness To End The Retention Of All Our Sins As A Standing Issue Between Ourselves And God