



We Bought A Zoo

**GOD AT THE MOVIES, PART 4**

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Romans 8:22–25

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John 3:3

**WE DON'T WELCOME NEW UNTIL WE AGREE THAT IT'S TIME TO START OVER.**

*"The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD. "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbors, or say to one another, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."*

Jeremiah 31:31–34

**QUESTION:** What in your life needs to be declared broken today?

**WARNING: DECIDING I NEED NEW, AND ACTUALLY LIVING NEW IS EASIER SAID THAN DONE. NEW IS ALWAYS COMPLICATED.**

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*When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life.*

Romans 6:20–22

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Matthew 11:28–30, John 16:31–33, Hebrews 11:6

**TO EXPERIENCE NEW, I MUST BE BRUTALLY HONEST WITH MYSELF ABOUT MY PAST.**

*For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.*

Hebrews 9:15

**TO EXPERIENCE NEW IN JESUS, THERE HAS TO BE A TURNING POINT.**

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