

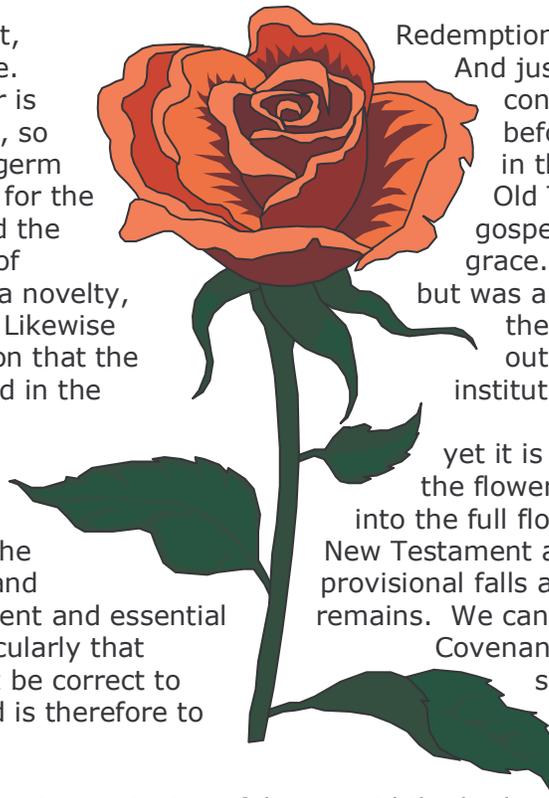
The New Testament is the Flower of the Old Testament

The relationship between the Testaments is expressed by the statement that the Old Testament is fulfilled by the New. The Old Testament is completed by the New Testament just as the plant is completed by the flower. The New Testament develops from the Old as the blossom develops from the rest of the plant. Until the blossom comes, the plant looks toward the future, it gives the promise of the flower.

So in the Old Testament, realized at a future time. make a complete flower is produces stem and bud, so preached, it existed in germ here that Paul found it, for the from which he preached the fundamental doctrines of he proclaimed was not a novelty, Law and the Prophets. Likewise one grand demonstration that the the gospel are contained in the

The bud passed away, finds its completion in purpose when it opens finds its completion in the imperfect, temporary, and while all that is permanent and essential has passed away, particularly that name. But it would not be correct to destroyed by Christ and is therefore to or lightly esteemed.

The plant does not attain its greatest usefulness until the bud has opened and all can admire its beauty and enjoy its fragrance. So in the Old Testament the truths of Redemption were sealed up, so to speak, in one nation, Israel, which nation was for the time the center of God's plan and the custodian of those truths. But when the Old Testament was fulfilled by Christ, the fragrance and beauty of all redemptive truth predicted and foreshadowed in the Old Testament were given to the whole world, to be enjoyed by "whosoever will." Hence the last commission of the great Fulfiller was, "Go ye into *all the world* and preach the gospel to *every creature*."



Redemption is a great promise to be And just as everything that goes to contained in the seed which before the gospel was ever in the Old Testament. It was Old Testament was the Bible gospel. Upon it he based the grace. He insisted that the gospel but was a message based upon the the Epistle to the Hebrews is outlines and characteristics of institutions of the Old Testament.

yet it is not destroyed; rather it the flower. The bud simply fulfills its into the full flower. The Old Testament New Testament and its Christ, and all that is provisional falls away of its own accord, remains. We can say that the Old Testament Covenant which gives the book its say that it has been be ignored or neglected