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God, The Covenant and the Contradiction

7. Chapter 2 Endnote: Planetary Stewardship and the New Covenant

This closing note expands on Chapter 2 and lists its source footnotes. It argues that God's charge to Adam and Eve to steward the earth still stands after the Fall, and that the Church—not governments—should lead in caring for creation. It ends by citing the new covenant promise from Hebrews.

Key takeaways

- Stewardship of the earth was God's assignment to mankind and remains our responsibility today; the Fall didn't cancel it.
- Sin distorted this duty into things like worshipping nature instead of the Creator; unbelievers manage the planet with God left out.
- The Church is equipped with God's authority to lead in caring for creation rather than defaulting it to others.
- The footnotes point to sources on Elohim, the Chumash, DNA, and to biblical 'redemption through a tree' patterns (bronze serpent, Isaac's wood, a king hanged on a tree).

Scripture referenced

- **Hebrews 8:7-13** -- the new covenant: God writes His laws on hearts, making the first covenant obsolete