

## *The New Testament & the Doctrine of the Promise*

New Testament writers claim the Promise refers to a unified body of doctrine in the Hebrew Scriptures and not merely a collection of random teachings.

Paul, in trouble for teaching that God always intended that Gentiles be beneficiaries of his gracious Promise-Project, defends himself before King Agrippa :

"And now I stand to be judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers"  
Acts 26:6

N.B., Paul uses the definite article and expects that Agrippa will understand what he is referring to.