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| I. Preamble / Covenant Giver Exod. 20:2a; Deut. 5:6a | “I am the LORD your God...” |
| II. Historical Prologue Exod. 20:2b; Deut. 5:6b (also Deut. 1 – 3) | “...who brought you up out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. |
| III. Stipulations / Obligations Imposed Exod. 20:3-17; Deut. 5:7-21 (also Deut. 12-26) | “You shall have no other gods before me...” “You shall not murder.” “You shall keep the Sabbath” |
| IV. Deposition/Periodic Reading <p>“Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand...” (Ex 32:15)</p> <p>“...and in the ark you shall put the testimony which I shall give you.” (Ex 25:21; Ex 40:20; Deut 10:5)</p> <p>“At the end of every seven years...when all Israel comes to appear before Yahweh your God at the place which He will choose, you shall read this law in front of all Israel in their hearing. Assemble the people, the men and the women and children <i>and the alien</i> who is in your town, in order that they <i>may hear and learn</i> and fear Yahweh your God and <i>be careful to observe all the words of this law.</i>” (Deut. 31:10; Ex 24:7; Josh 8:30-35)</p> <p>Acts 15, the Council at Jerusalem, James recommend not to hinder gentiles from entering the assembly and he notes -- “<i>For the law (Torah) of Moses has been preached in every city from the earliest time and is read in the synagogues on every Sabbath.</i>”</p> | |
| V. List of Witnesses Deut. 4:26; 30:19-20; 31:28 | “I call heaven and earth to witness against you today...” Isaiah 1:2 “ <i>Hear me, you heavens! Listen, earth! For the LORD has spoken.</i> ” <i>“I have reared children and brought them up, But they have rebelled against me.</i> ” |
| VI. Curses and Blessings Deut. 28 | “And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you if you will obey the LORD your God... But if you will not obey the LORD your God...all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.” |
| Covenant Ratification Ceremony (Ex 24: 3-8; Gen 15: 17-21; Jer. 34:17-20; Mt 26:26) | |
| Shared Meal (Ex. 24:11) | |