

An Identity to Receive

We want every person to find Hope, Healing, and Purpose in their individual story as they daily engage God's Story

The greatest Story ever told has the power to radically reshape your individual story. Allow your story to get caught up and remade in God's Story.

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suzerian covenants

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- 2) **Historical Prologue** – recounts the accomplishments of the king
- 3) **Stipulations** – spell out obligations of vassal to suzerain
- 4) **Depositing the Law** – in a “sacred” place with periodic readings
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 - I am YHWH your God
- 2) **Historical Prologue** – recounts the accomplishments of the king
 - brought you out of Egypt
- 3) **Stipulations** – spell out obligations of vassal to suzerain
 - the 10 words
- 4) **Depositing the Law** – in a “sacred” place with periodic readings
 - Deuteronomy 10:5; Deuteronomy 31:10-11
- 5) **Witnesses** – usually the respective gods
 - heaven & earth (Deuteronomy 32)
 - people & stones (Joshua 24)
- 6) **Blessings & Curses** – based on loyalty or lack of loyalty
 - Deuteronomy 27-28
- 7) **Oath or Ratification Ceremony** – binding symbol, usually a slaughtered animal
 - Cut off

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Our Identity

- **treasured possession** – Exodus 19:5
 - Titus 2:11-14
- **kingdom of priests** – Exodus 19:6
 - Revelation 1:4-6
- **holy nation** – Exodus 19:6
 - 1 Peter 2:9