

Statements of the Covenant		Ex 20-31	Dt 1-32	Josh 24
1	Preamble/Title - identifying author	Ex 20.1	Deut 1.1-5	Josh 24:2
2	Historical Prologue or retrospect, giving previous benefactions by suzerain	Ex 20.2	Deut 1.6-3, 29	Josh 24.2-13
3	Stipulations: basic obligations on the vassal	[basic] Ex 20:3-17; 22-26	Deut 4,5-11	Josh 24.14-15
	Stipulations: detailed; obligations on the vassal	[detail] Ex 21-23, 25-31	Deut 12-26	Josh 24:16-25
4a	Deposition of a copy of the covenant in the vassal's sanctuary	Ex 25.16; 34:1,28,29	Deut 31.9,24-26	Josh 24.26
	(cf. Deut 10:1-5 in retrospective view)			
4b	Public reading - periodic, to the people	Ex (-)	Deut 31:10-13	Josh (-)
5	Witnesses - a long list of gods invoked to witness the covt.	Ex 24.4	Deut 31.16-30, 36;32:1-47	Josh 24.22
	<i>But in the Biblical material, there are no other gods -- so we have instead stones, a song, the law-book, and people.</i>			
6	Curses and Blessings	Lev 26.3-13; 14-20	Deut 28.1-14; 15-68	Josh 24.19-20

(Ref: K.A. Kitchen, *Ancient Orient and Old Testament*, IVP, 1966)