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The Ratification of the Covenant

27: 1-26



Moses exhorts the children of Isra'el to ratify their covenant with ADONAI, commands that they provide for the preservation of the covenantal stipulations, and charges that they symbolically place themselves under the suzerainty (to see link click Ah - The Treaty of the King) of the stipulations of the covenant with the LORD (see Bi - The Stipulations of the Covenant) by means of a ceremony on Mounts Gerizim and Ebal. The nation was to "act out" this covenant-renewal ceremony shortly after they entered the Land that YHVH had promised them.

The framework for which **the blessing and curse** can be seen in the Torah is as follows:

- **A.** The blessing and curse in the present renewal of the covenant (11:26-28).
 - **B.** The blessing and curse in the future renewal of the covenant (11:29-32).
 - C. The Specific Stipulations of the Covenant (12:1 to 26:19).
 - **B.** The blessing and curse in the future renewal of the covenant (27:1-26).
- **A. The blessing and curse** in *the present* renewal of the covenant **(28:1-69)**.