

Wiersbe's Expository Outlines Of The Old Testament: Deuteronomy – W.
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George Adam Smith, *The Book of Deuteronomy in the Revised Version With Introduction and Notes*, *The Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges*, xi–xii (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1918), p. xi.

Ch. 1:1–4. General Title (composite)

5. Special Title to the following—

A. Chs. 1:6–4:40. The First Discourse Introductory to the Laws (all deuteronomic in style) divided into—

(a) Historical Part, 1:6–3:29.

(b) Hortatory Part, 4:1–40.

Ch. 4:41–43. Fragment on Cities of Asylum (deuteronomic).

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B. Chs. 5–11 The Second Discourse Introductory to the Laws (all deuteronomic), divided into

- (a) Prologue, 5
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- (c) Historical Review, 9:7b–10:11.

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C. Chs. 12–26 The Laws—‘The Statutes and Judgements’ (mainly deuteronomic in style). For the divisions into which these fall and for the contents of each division see below, pp. 154–156.

D. Chs. 27–30 Closing Discourses (deuteronomic) divided into —

- (a) Instructions for the Immediate Future, 27 (showing no connection save in vv. 9 f. with what precedes or follows).
- (b) Epilogue to the Laws, 28

Ch. 29:1. Editorial Note.

- (c) Further Discourse or Discourses, 29–30

E. Chs. 31–34. Last Days and Discourses of Moses (composite, from all the documents of the Pentateuch, with two poems from unknown sources, 32:1–43, and 33).

Meredith G. Kline, *Treaty of the Great King* (1963). Quoted in J. A. Thompson, vol. 5, *Deuteronomy: An Introduction and Commentary*, Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries, 22–23 (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1974).

“Meredith G. Kline proposes that Deuteronomy is a unity and holds it to be an authentic Mosaic document cast in the form of the ancient Near Eastern treaty. He interprets the book within the framework of the administration of God’s redemptive covenant with Israel. He outlines the book as follows:

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 3. The covenant stipulations: covenant life.
 - (a) The great commandment, 5:1–11:32.
 - (b) Ancillary commandments, 12:1–26:19.
 4. The covenant sanctions: covenant ratification, blessings and curses, covenant oath, 27:1–30:20.

5. Dynastic disposition: covenant continuity, 31:1–34:12.”

Paul R. House, *Old Testament Theology*, 169-70 (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1998).

“Deuteronomy’s structure and theology are integrated in an extraordinary way. A simple, straightforward reading of Deuteronomy yields a framework based on addresses Moses makes to the Israelites. After a historical and geographical notation opens the book (1:1–5), Moses addresses the people concerning their history (1:6–4:49), concerning their covenant with God p 170 (5–28) and concerning the renewal of their covenant with Yahweh (29–30). These three sermonic interpretations of history and covenant relationships are followed by the transfer of power from Moses to Joshua, the production of a book of the law, Moses’ blessing of Israel and Moses’ death (31–34). History, covenant and transition dominate the book in a way that teaches the new generation to expect God to act decisively on their behalf because of similar acts in the past. Current divine demands of obedience are anchored firmly in God’s grace, God’s revelation and God’s promises.”

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Ancient Treaty Structure	Deuteronomy
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"Teaching Outline Of Deuteronomy

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" Gordon McConville, "Deuteronomy" in Carson, D. A. *New Bible Commentary: 21st Century Edition*. 4th ed. Leicester, England; Downers Grove, IL: Inter-Varsity Press, 1994.

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