

This Sunday's Sermon Resources

SEPTEMBER 6 , 2026

Deuteronomy 12:1-28

"WORSHIP GOD RIGHTLY"

[Deuteronomy 12:1-28](#)

[2 Corinthians 9:1-7](#)

[Genesis 9:3-6](#)

[Deuteronomy 31:10-13](#)

[John 1:14](#)

[Matthew 18:20](#)

[Revelation 21:22](#)

[1 Corinthians 14:4, 12, 26, 40](#)

[1 Corinthians 15:56-57](#)

Reflection questions:

1. How has your worship of God been refined and corrected by His Word as you have grown as a Christian?
2. What are the most common ways you see people trying to worship God "however they want"?
3. How are you currently seeking God's Word to continue to instruct you how to worship Him rightly?

Regulative principle of worship:

The worship of God is REGULATED by God and His Word

Normative principle of worship:

Any form of worship of God can be NORMATIVE if it is not explicitly prohibited by God and His Word

Suzerainty Treaty

Structure

1. Preamble/Title
2. Historical Prologue
3. Stipulations
4. Oath
5. Blessings and Curses
6. Witnesses
7. Deposit

Found throughout the ANE in various periods



Hittite Treaty tablet

Treaty of Kadesh, discovered at Boğazköy, Turkey
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Suzerainty Treaty paralleled with Deuteronomy

1. Preamble (Deut. 1:1-5); “These are the words which Moses addressed to all Israel. . . .”

2. Historical Prologue (Deut. 1:6–4:49).

3. General Stipulations (chs. 5–11).

4. Specific Stipulations (chs. 12–26).

5. Blessings and Curses (chs. 27–28).

6. Witnesses (see Deut. 30:19; 31:19; 32:1-43).

7. Deposit – placing official copies of the covenant in a safe place – two tablets of the law, one for the Lord and one for the people, in the ark

Joshua 8:30-35 – Joshua fulfills the law by reading the blessings and curses on the two mountains in the Promised Land

"THE PLACE THAT THE LORD YOUR GOD SHALL CHOOSE" = SHILOH

