

The background is a sepia-toned illustration of a biblical scene. It depicts a group of people, likely Israelites, in a state of joy or praise. Several individuals in the foreground have their arms raised high, some holding long, thin objects that could be staffs or musical instruments. The scene is set outdoors, with a textured, stone-like background. The overall tone is historical and reverent.

Deuteronomy

A Summary and Review

Key Things We've Learned

Deuteronomy 4:1-2

Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the judgments which I am teaching you to perform, so that you may live and go in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you.

You shall not add to the word which I am commanding you, nor take away from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

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Why Deuteronomy?

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Because many struggle to understand how the Law could ever be delightful to us.

Because many misunderstand the Law and its purposes and then misunderstand sin and our need for a Savior.

Why Deuteronomy?

Because just as Israel needed to understand that they were God's people by grace, the Church needs to understand that we are God's people by grace.

Because just as they needed to understand their relationship to God and each other, we need understand our relationship to God and each other.

Why Deuteronomy?

Because just as they needed to understand their mission as they moved into the land, we need to understand our mission as we move out into the lands.

Because just as they would face great difficulties and temptations and would need to walk by faith, we will face great difficulties and temptations and will need to walk by faith.

Why Deuteronomy?

Because just as they needed to know God and remember His faithfulness so that they could trust Him, we need to know God and remember His faithfulness so that we can trust Him.

Because just as they needed to understand how God had spoken to them so that they would not listen to false prophets and teachers, we need to understand how God speaks to us so that we will not listen to false prophets and teachers.

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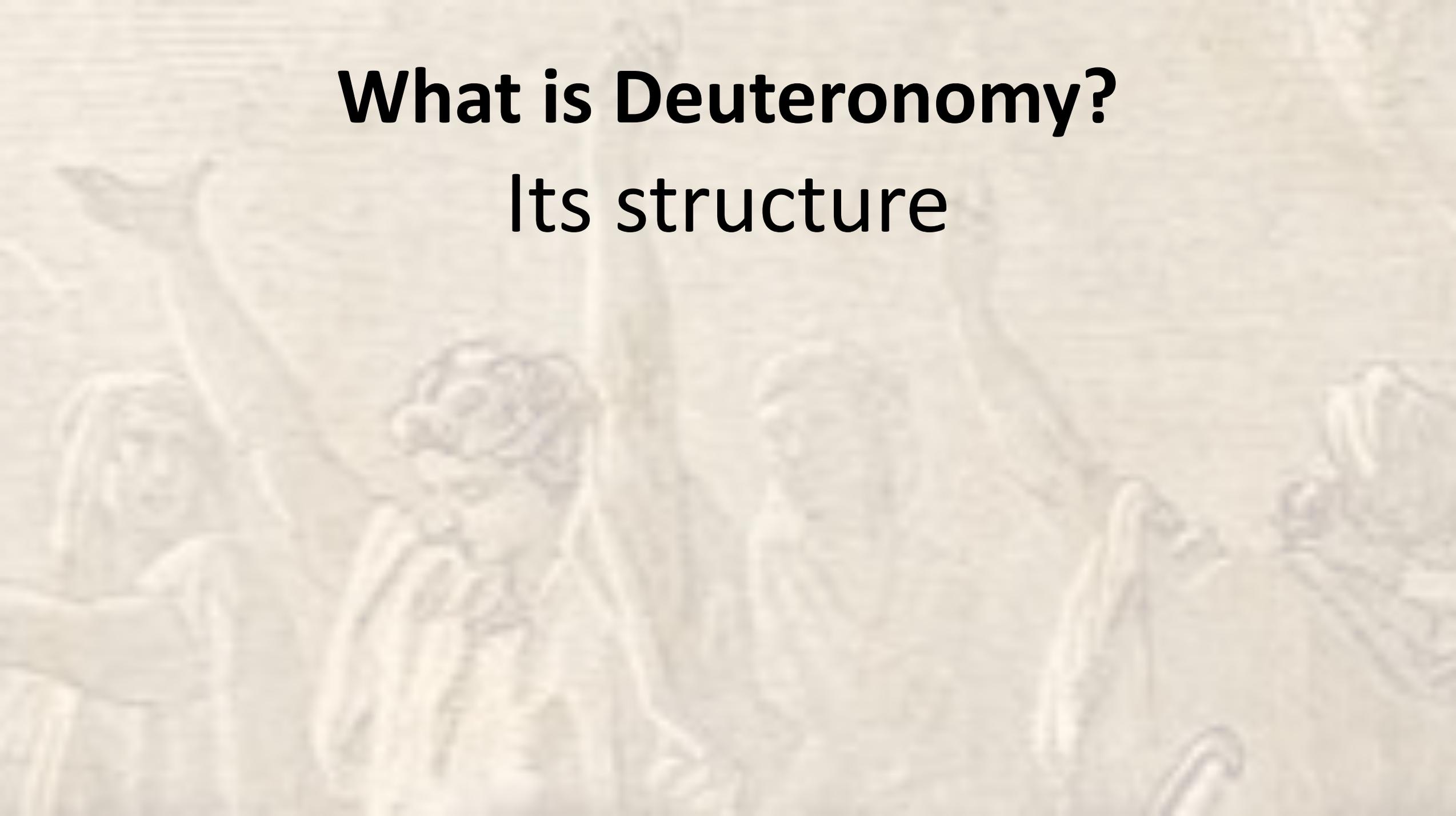
A Summary and Review

Why Deuteronomy?

What is Deuteronomy?

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Its structure



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The book of Deuteronomy is a king/subject covenant in which the King of kings, who has taken this people for Himself, pledges Himself to them...

...and in which this people, as His subjects, do the same.

Exodus 6:7

Then I will take you for My people, and I will be your God;
and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who brought
you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

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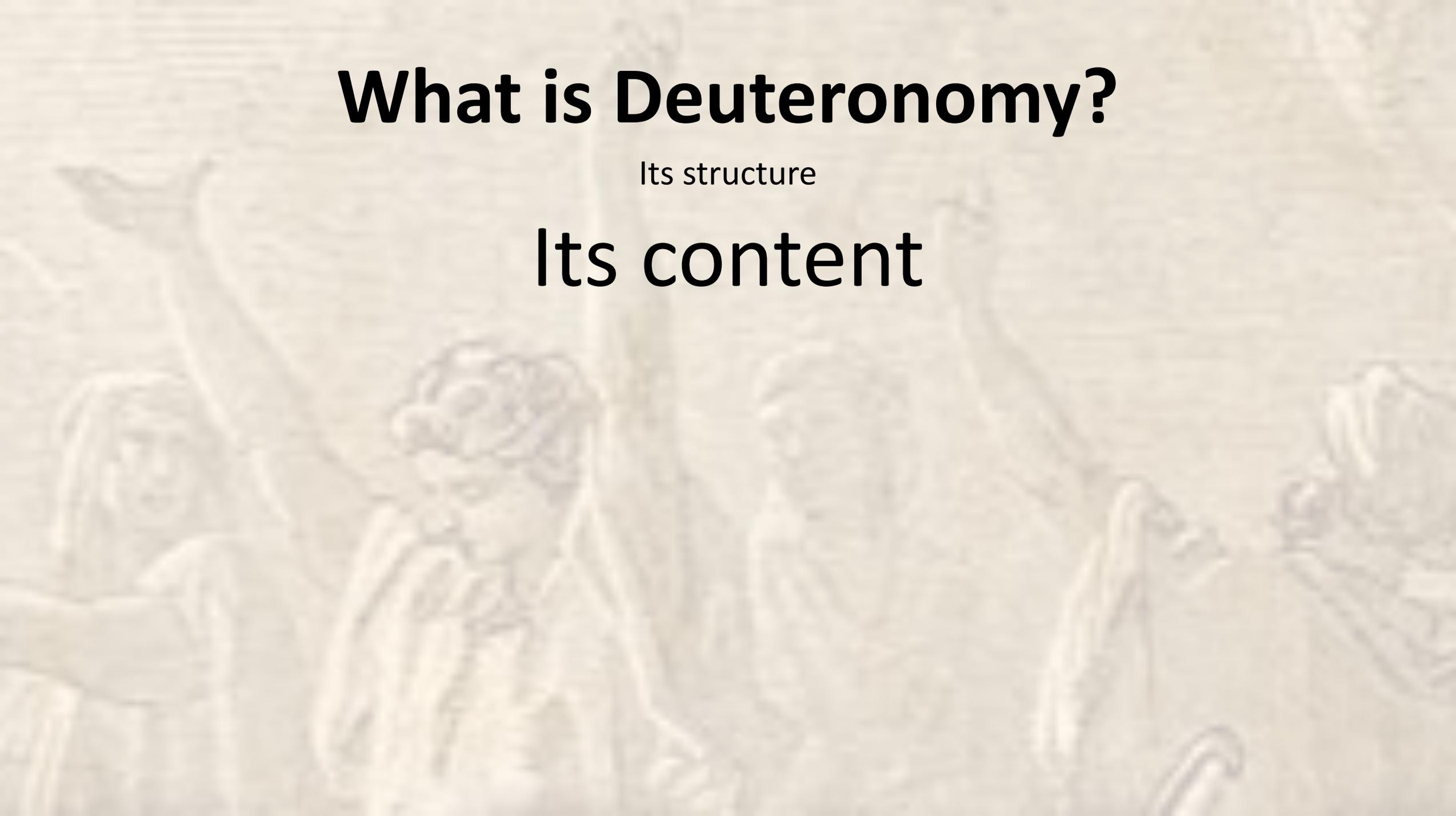
Deuteronomy 4:12-13

Then the LORD spoke to you from the midst of the fire; you heard the sound of words, but you saw no form — only a voice. **So He declared to you His covenant** which He commanded you to perform,

What is Deuteronomy?

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What is its content?

Deuteronomy is the King's Law explained and applied.

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It is the King's Law explained

Deuteronomy 1:3 and 5

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Deuteronomy 22:8

When you build a new house, you shall make a parapet for your roof, so that you will not bring bloodguilt on your house if anyone falls from it.

We learn from Deuteronomy that the LORD
is a wise and merciful King.

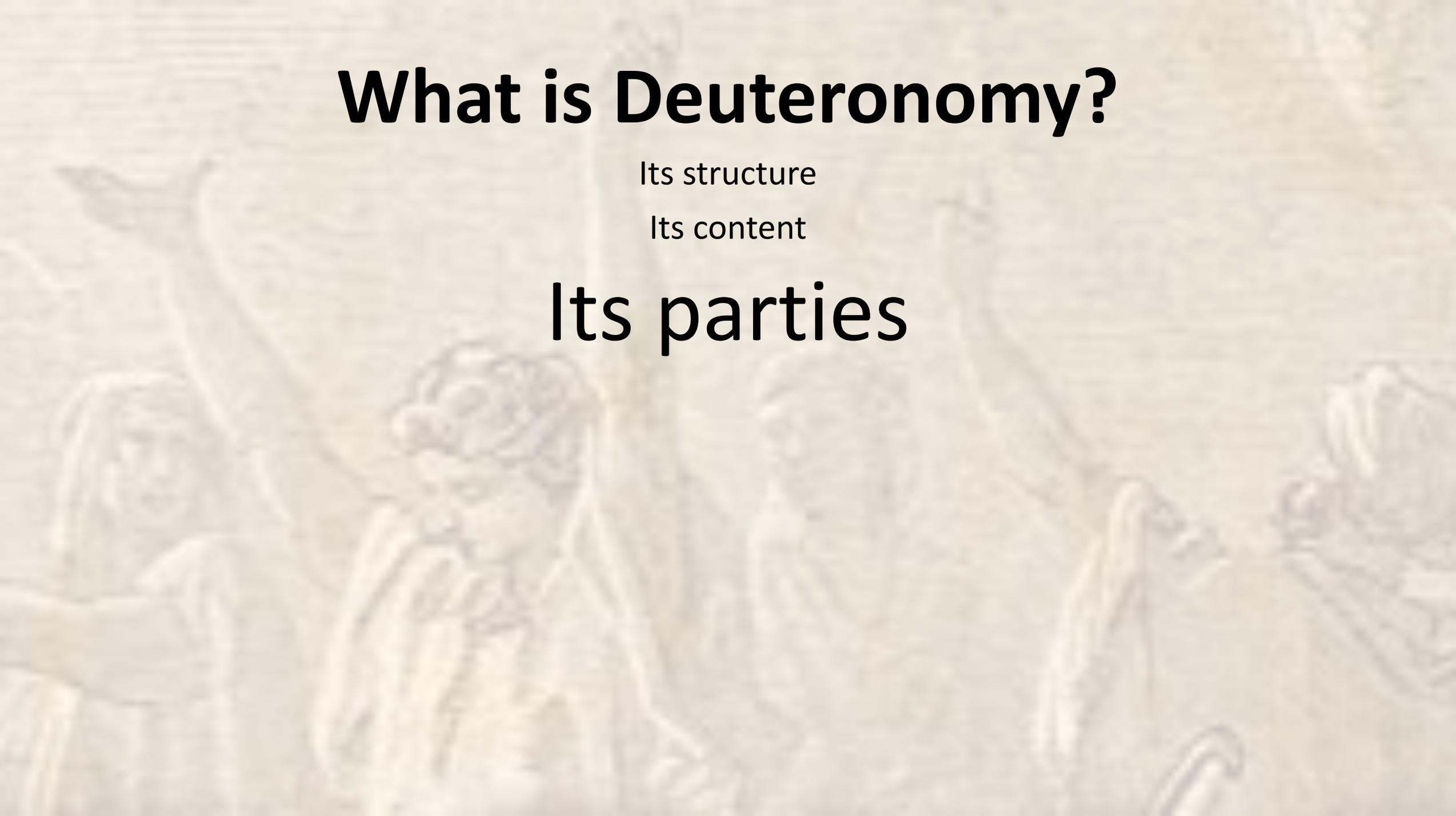
He did not simply issue law as decree
but provided explanation and application
to the aid and for the good of His people.

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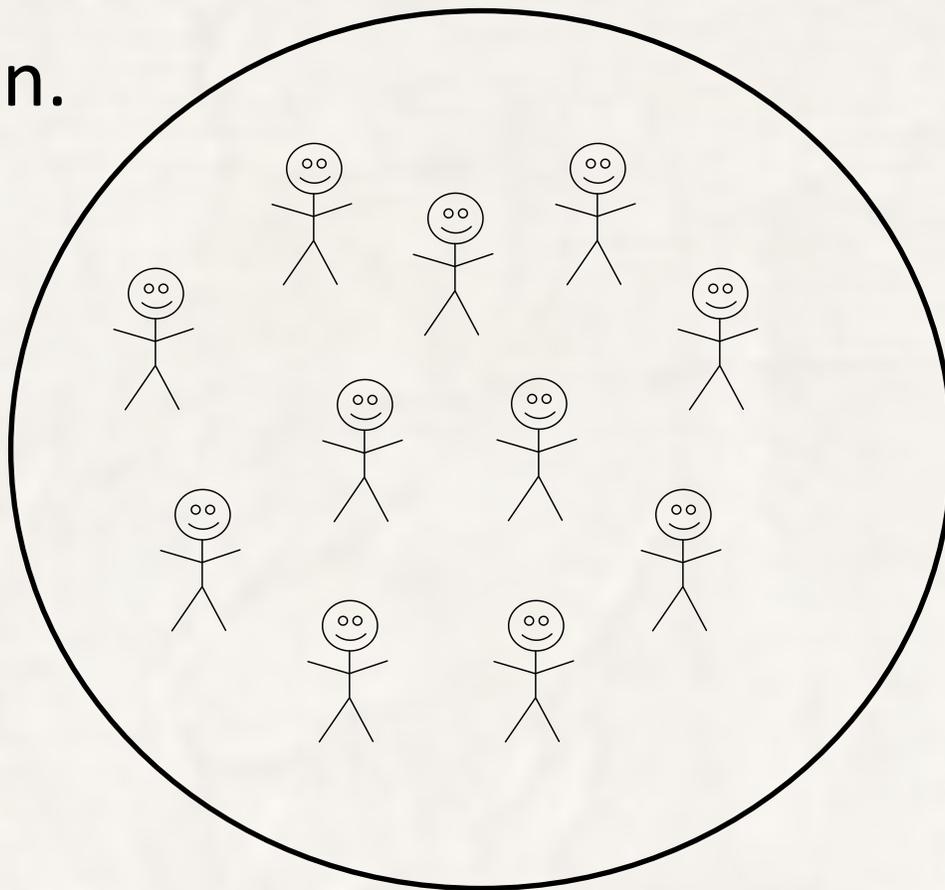
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which He commanded you to perform...

The ***one*** covenant that the LORD declares has many facets.

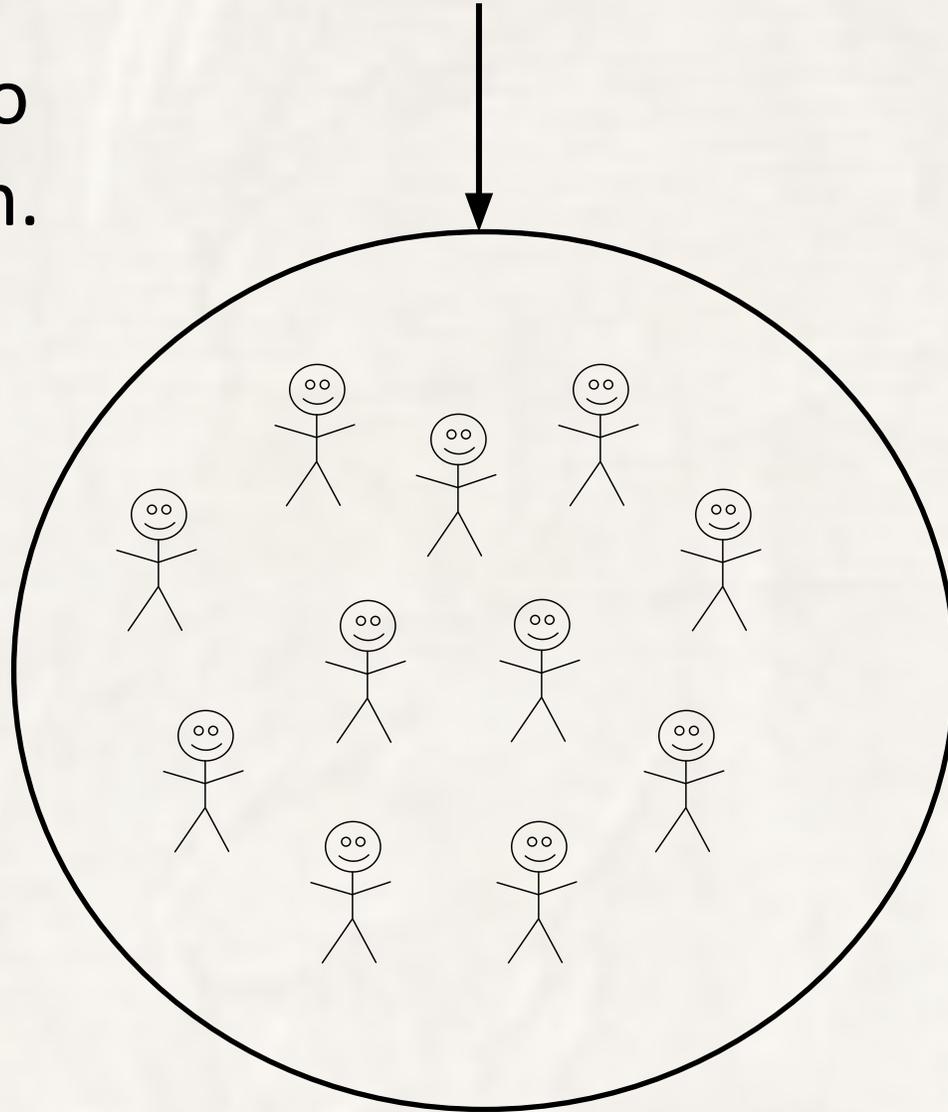
The LORD

The LORD takes a
people for Himself
making them a nation.



The LORD

The LORD enters into covenant with them.



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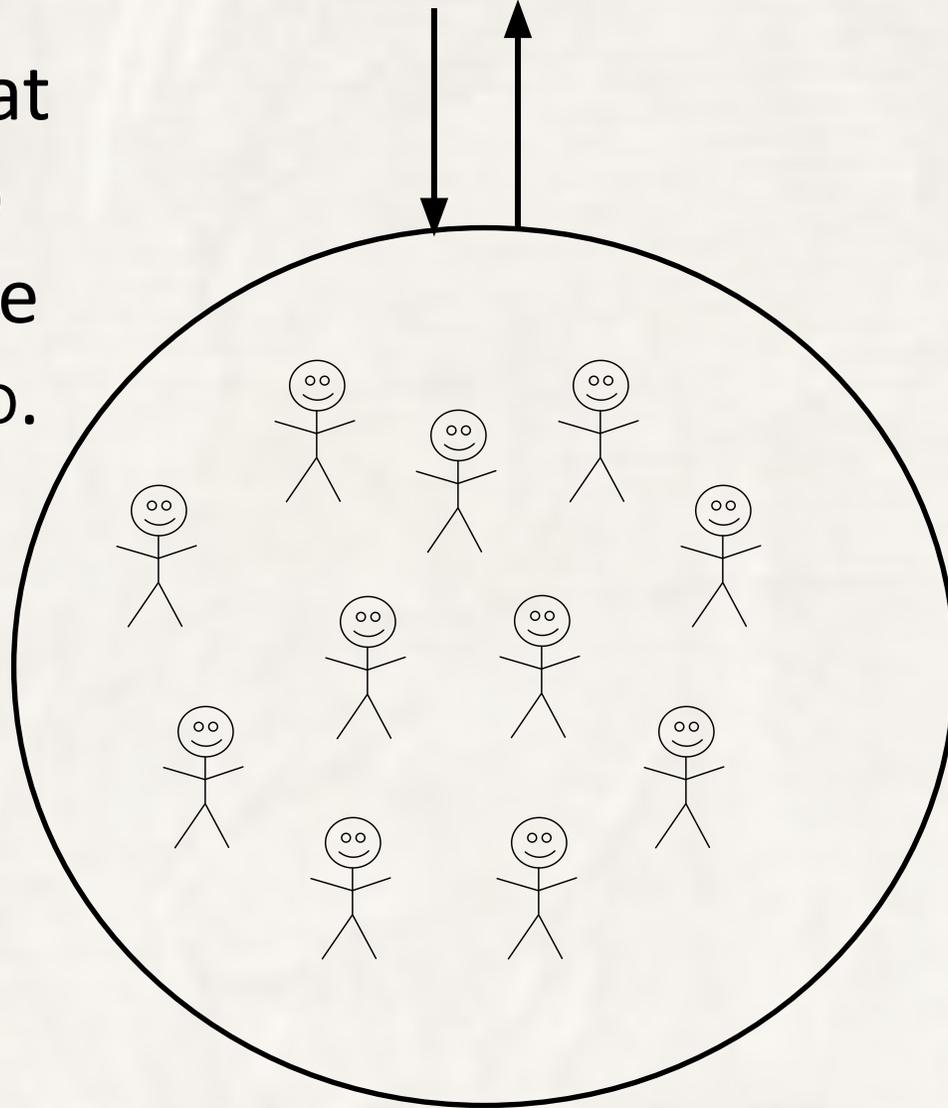
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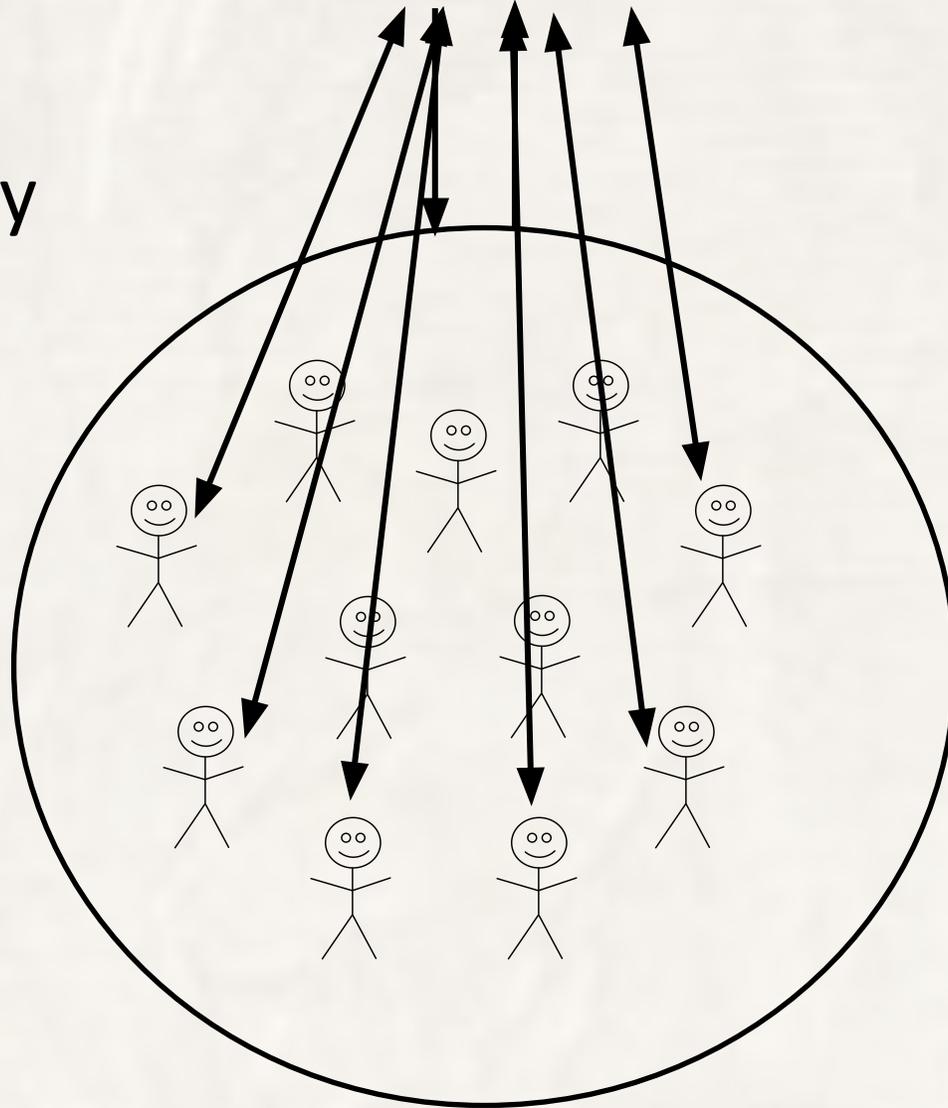
The LORD

It is a covenant that binds the LORD to the people and the people to the LORD.



The LORD

But it binds the people corporately **and** individually.



The church is related to the LORD in this same way.

He has taken a people, redeemed them from slavery, made them His own, and bound them to Himself in a new covenant.

He now relates to us as one people,
one body, but with many members.

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That the Law teaches us about who the LORD is and what He is like.

Who is He?

Deuteronomy 5:6-7

“I am the LORD your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before Me.”

He is eternal and self-existent.

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He is a redeeming God!

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You shall have no other gods before Me.”

He is a rescuing God!

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out of the land of Egypt, **out of the house of slavery.**

You shall have no other gods before Me.”

He is the only God!

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What is He like?

Leviticus 19:2

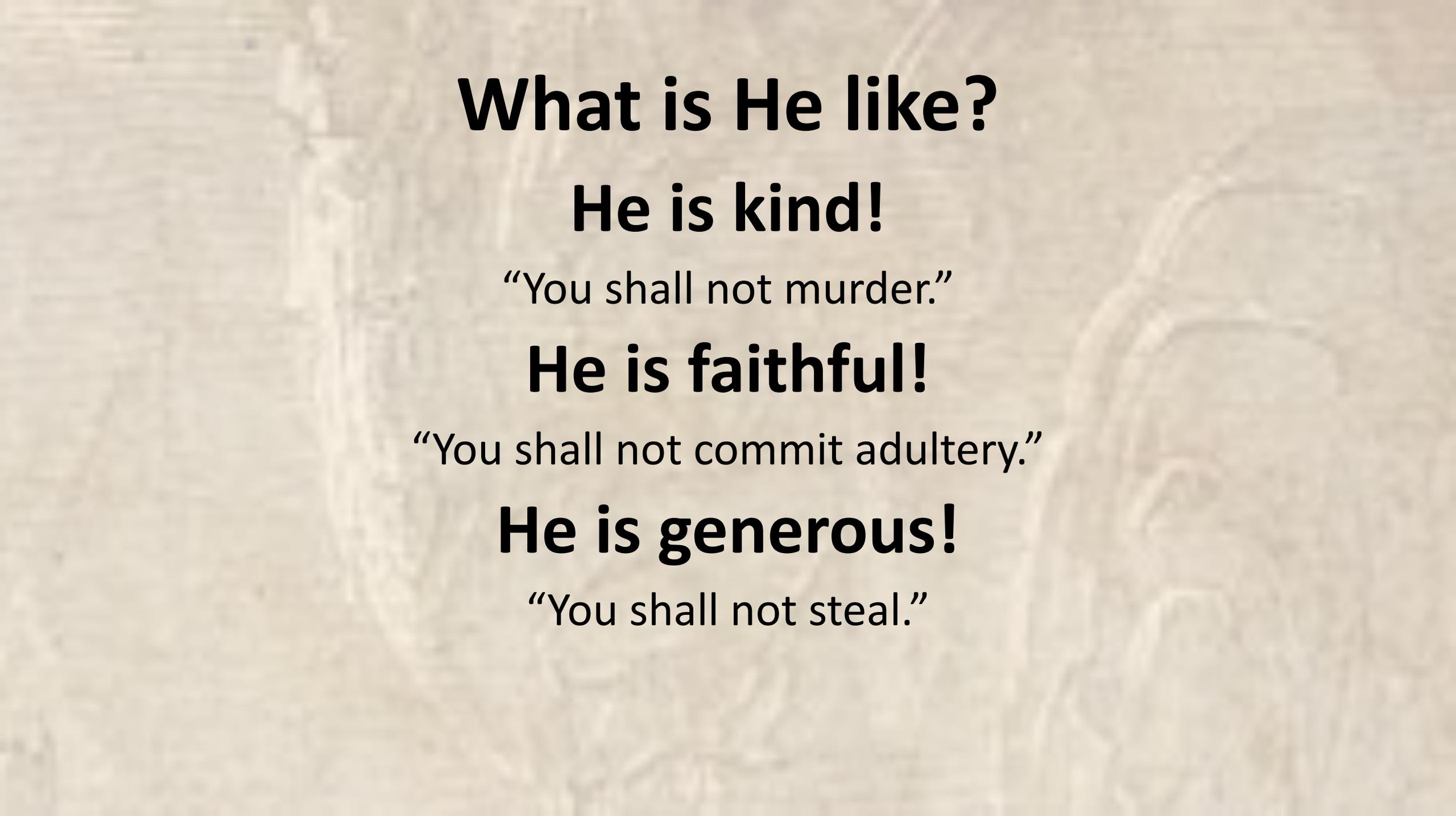
Speak to all the congregation of the sons
of Israel and say to them,
“You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.”

He is holy!

Remember Moses' sin?

Deuteronomy 32:51

**“...because you did not treat Me as holy
in the midst of the sons of Israel.”**



What is He like?

He is kind!

“You shall not murder.”

He is faithful!

“You shall not commit adultery.”

He is generous!

“You shall not steal.”

What key things have we learned?

That the Law teaches us about who the LORD is and what He is like.

That the Law teaches us how
we are to relate to the LORD.

How are we to relate to Him?

Deuteronomy 6:5

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

The first table of the Law teaches us how to love and worship Him.

The statutes of the Law explain and apply that teaching.

How are we to relate to Him?

Leviticus 19:2

“You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.”

**The LORD is holy, and His holy law
commands us to holiness.**

So, does this apply to us?

Romans 7:12

So then, the Law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

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So then, the Law is holy, **and the commandment**
is holy and righteous and good.

But can we keep this commandment?

The Law helps us to see that we *cannot* be holy as the LORD is holy.

In this way, the Law points us to Christ as our only hope for holiness and a renewed relationship with the LORD.

What key things have we learned?

That the Law teaches us about who the LORD is and what He is like.

That the Law teaches us how we are to relate to the LORD.

**That the Law teaches us how
we are to relate to one another.**

Leviticus 19:18

You shall not take vengeance,
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How are we to relate to one another?

Leviticus 19:18

...you shall **love** your neighbor as yourself.

The second table of the Law teaches us
how to love one another.

The statutes of the Law explain
and apply that teaching.

What is the foundation of this love?

Deuteronomy 4:13

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Remember the parties of the covenant?

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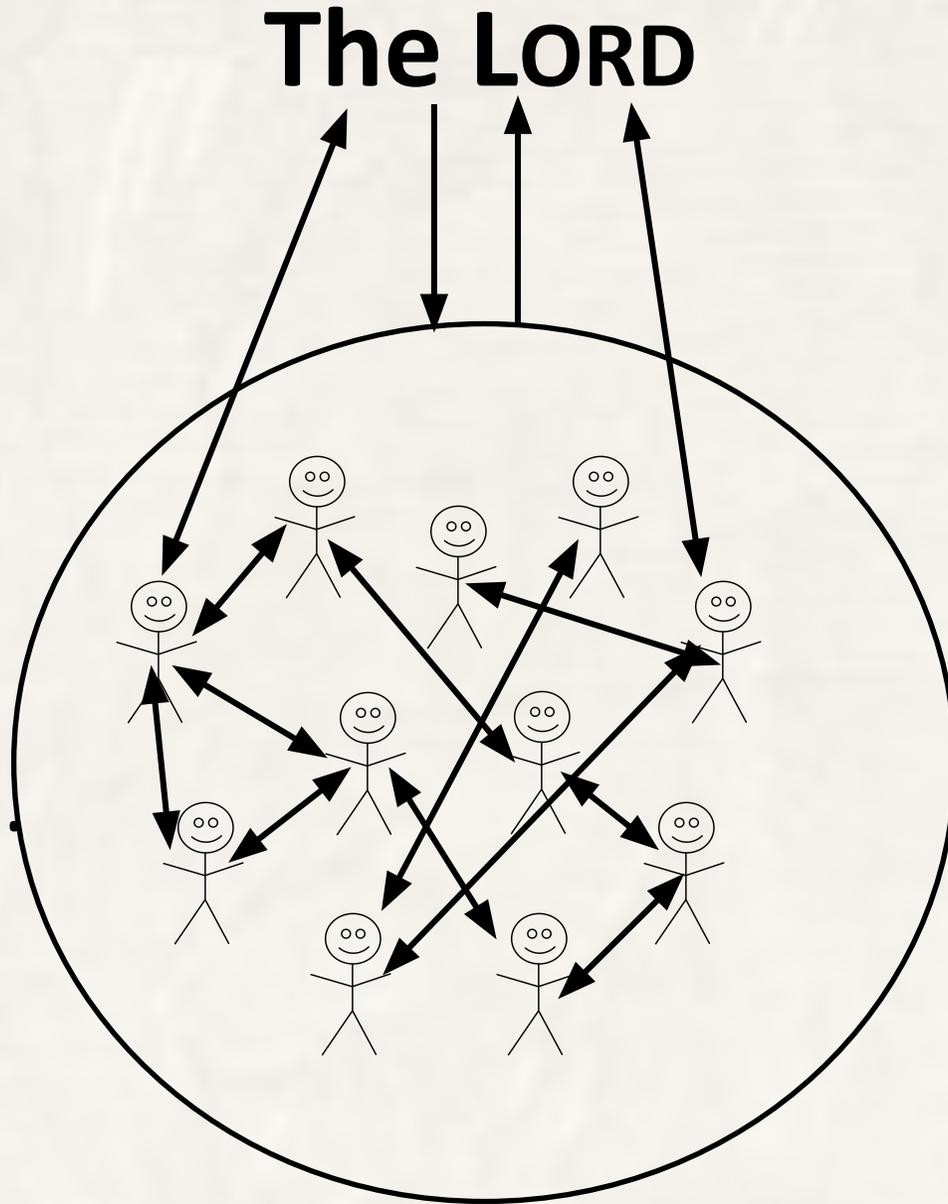
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The covenant is with a people who are bound together as a nation, a community, a family; and this means that this one covenant binds them **to one another.**

Remember, the one covenant has many facets.

Their covenant as a people also binds them to one another as a people.



What do we learn from this?

The covenant that we celebrate as a church binds us to the Lord corporately and individually but also binds us *to one another* as family.

What key things have we learned?

That the Law teaches us about who the LORD is and what He is like.

That the Law teaches us how we are to relate to the LORD.

That the Law teaches us how we are to relate to one another.

**That the Law is still
a delightful thing for us.**

Psalm 1:2

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
And in His law he meditates day and night.

**Can you say with David that you
delight in the law of the LORD?**

Concluding Thoughts

God's Law is first and foremost a revelation of Himself.

He is the backdrop, the standard that forms and fills the content of the Law.

Concluding Thoughts

There is only one God and Creator of all; and because He created all in His image, there is only one Law for all.

This means that there is no other repository of laws from which we can draw, as if there were some other authority or source of good apart from God.

Concluding Thoughts

Jesus did not bring a new Law;
He fulfilled *The Law* and explains it.

This means that He accomplished
our justification and is teaching
us for our sanctification.

Are you relying on Christ
for your justification?

Are you listening to Christ
for your sanctification?

**Are you delighting in Christ
for your satisfaction?**