

The Grace of Covenant Relationship Deuteronomy 9:1-10:11

Introduction to 9:1-10:11

1. The Limits of the Unit
2. The Directions of Moses' Gaze
3. The Tension in the Relationship between Israel and God
4. The Dominance of "40 days and 40 nights"
5. The Structure of the Unit
 - a. The Hypothesis: Israel's covenant relationship with YHWH is based on the nation's intrinsic moral superiority over the Canaanites (9:1-6)
 - b. Testing the Hypothesis: Israel's history exhibits no evidence of moral superiority over the Canaanites (9:7-24)
 - c. The New Hypothesis: Israel's covenant relationship with YHWH is based entirely on his sovereign grace (9:25-29)
 - d. Testing the New Hypothesis: Israel is the undeserving beneficiary of YHWH's grace (10:1-11).
6. The Genre of the Unit: **A Disputation Speech**
 - a. Introduction: Moses' Call to Attention and His Announcement of the Fact (vv. 1-3)
 - b. The Thesis: The People's Explanation of the Fact (v. 4a)
 - c. The Counter Thesis: Moses' Alternative Explanation of the Fact (vv. 4b-6)
 - c. The Refutation: Moses Denial of the Thesis and the Reasons for Its Rejection (vv. 7-24)

A. The Basis of Covenant Relationship: Exposing False Claims to Divine Favor (9:1-6)

1. Introduction (vv. 1-3)
 - a. The Apparent Invincibility of the Enemy
 - b. The Key to Victory: The Character and Actions of YHWH
 - c. The Role of the Israelites
2. The Thesis (v. 4a)
 - a. The Meaning of "Righteousness" (*ṣidqā*)
 - b. The Meaning of "Wickedness" (*riš'ā*)
3. Moses' Counter Thesis (vv. 4b-6)
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.