

# WHAT IS THE TORAH

The Torah refers to the first five books:

- Genesis
- Exodus
- Leviticus
- Numbers
- Deuteronomy

It is the covenant instruction given through Moses at Sinai.

Exodus 19–24 This is where covenant is formally established.

## WHAT IS COVENANT

A covenant (Hebrew: **berith**) is a binding agreement between YAHUAH and a people.

Torah obedience was the **condition of remaining in covenant blessing**.

Exodus 19:5

“If you obey My voice and guard My covenant...”

Obedience is Remaining in covenant

Disobedience is Breaking covenant

## WHO FOLLOWED THE TORAH (COVENANT OBEDIENCE)

### Moses

Moses

- Received Torah
- Interceded for Israel

- Kept covenant instruction
- Called faithful servant (Numbers 12:7)

He modeled covenant loyalty.

## **Joshua**

Joshua 24:15

“As for me and my house, we will serve YAHUAH.”

He publicly reaffirmed covenant obedience.

## **Caleb**

Numbers 14:24

“He followed Me fully.”

Faith & obedience is covenant inheritance.

## **The Faithful Remnant**

Throughout Israel’s history:

- Those who rejected idolatry
- Those who guarded Sabbaths
- Those who kept feasts
- Those who obeyed dietary instruction

Examples include:

- Samuel
- David (though imperfect, he repented)
- Hezekiah
- Josiah

These leaders restored Torah observance when it had been neglected.

# WHO DID NOT FOLLOW THE TORAH (COVENANT BREAKING)

## The Wilderness Generation

Exodus 32 Golden Calf  
They broke covenant almost immediately.

Result:

- Plague
- 40 years wandering
- That generation died in wilderness

Covenant broken is inheritance delayed.

## Northern Kingdom (Israel)

After Solomon:

- Idolatry
- Calf worship (Jeroboam)
- Mixed worship practices

Result:  
722 BCE Assyrian captivity.

## Southern Kingdom (Judah)

- Ignored Sabbaths
- Practiced injustice
- Adopted foreign customs

Result:  
586 BCE Babylonian captivity.

Covenant curses (Deuteronomy 28) activated.

# HOW OBEDIENCE WAS CONNECTED TO COVENANT

Here's the covenant structure clearly:

<b>Obedience</b>	<b>Result</b>
Guard Torah	Blessing
Reject idols	Protection
Keep Sabbaths	Rest in the land
Practice justice	Stability
Break Torah	Exile
Idolatry	Judgment

Deuteronomy 28  
Blessings and Curses chapter covenant consequences.

## IMPORTANT PRINCIPLE

Covenant was not racial privilege it was responsibility.

Deuteronomy 10:12–13

What does YAHUAH require?  
Fear Him, walk in His ways, guard His commands.

Even foreigners could join covenant if they obeyed:

Exodus 12:49

One Torah shall be for the native and the stranger.

Obedience defined belonging.

Torah obedience is Covenant loyalty  
Covenant loyalty is Blessing and inheritance  
Rebellion is Exile and discipline

Not perfection but allegiance.

Even when David sinned, he repented and remained aligned with covenant.