



SCRIPTURE

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Deuteronomy 4:6

SUNDAY REFRESHER

What we believe about God is the most important thing about us. If we see Him as distant, harsh, or absent, fear and emptiness fill our lives. But if we know Him as near, strong, and kind, even the darkest places feel less overwhelming. Like a child walking through a dark forest with their father, our perception of God changes how we face the journey. The Bible, from beginning to end, answers Tozer's concern—it shows us what God is like.

God revealed Himself to Israel so that all nations could see His wisdom, justice, and uniqueness. He established rhythms of sabbath, sabbath years, and Jubilee to reveal His heart: a God who brings freedom, cancels debts, restores families, and proclaims liberty. These were not empty rituals but reflections of His character. And now, in Christ, we live in the fullness of God's liberty and justice every day. He is the God who breaks chains, redeems the oppressed, restores the broken, and gives fresh starts. This is who He is—and this is who we are called to reflect to the world.

PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

- *What did God say to you through this passage and teaching?*
- *Did God reveal anything new to you?*
- *How is this relevant in your journey to make disciples who Love God and Love people?*

QUESTIONS

- *How does your current view of God—whether close, distant, harsh, or kind—shape the way you live day to day?*
- *Jubilee promised a radical reset for Israel. Where in your life do you long for a fresh start, and how does Jesus provide that for you now?*
- *If God's heart is for liberty and justice, how can we as individuals and as a church embody His character for the world to see?*

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

[Deuteronomy 4:6](#) | [1 Kings 8:60–61](#) | [Deuteronomy 15:1](#) | [Deuteronomy 15:13–15](#) | [Leviticus 25:10](#)

CONCLUSION

The God of the Bible is not cold, indifferent, or absent—He is present, powerful, and kind. He is a chain-breaking, debt-canceling, life-restoring God who delights in liberty and justice. His commands to Israel were not mere laws but windows into His heart. In Christ, we see that heart fully revealed: a God who redeems and restores.

So the question is not only, “What is God like?” but also, “How can we show the world what He is like?” As we pray and move forward together as a church, let us be a people who reflect His justice, proclaim His liberty, and embody His redeeming love in our community.