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THE GOD OF THE OLD TESTAMENT
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1. "Thou shalt not kill" (Ex. 20:13) Anger forbidden: Psa. 37:8; Prov. 14:17; 16:32; 27:4. "The thought of foolishness is sin; the scorner . . . an abomination" Prov. 24:9.
2. "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Ex. 20:14. "Lust not" Prov. 6:25; "he that doeth it destroyeth his own soul" Prov. 6:32, 33. Thoughts of the wicked, abomination; words of the pure, pleasant. Prov. 15:26. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he" Prov. 23:7.
3. "Thou shalt not swear by my name falsely, neither profane the name of God" Lev. 19:12.

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1. The teaching of Jesus on killing. Mt. 5:21-26. Hatred forbidden: I Jn. 3:15.
2. The teaching of Jesus on adultery. Mt. 5:27-32. Works of the flesh: Gal. 5:19; I Cor. 6:15:20.
3. The teaching of Jesus on oaths. Mt. 5:33-37. Jas. 5:12.

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4. "Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear grudge against children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" Lev. 19:18. "Say not that I will recompense evil, but wait on the Lord and he will save thee" Prov. 20:22; also 24:29.
5. Do good unto enemies: "If thou seest the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, thou shalt surely help him" Ex. 23:45. "If thy enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; if he be thirsty, give him water to drink" Prov. 25:21. "Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thy heart be glad when he stumbleth" Prov. 24:17.
6. "But because the Lord loved you and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh, king of Egypt" Deut. 7:8.
4. The teaching of Jesus on revenge. Mt. 5:38-42. I Pet. 2:19, 20; Rom. 12:19-21.
5. The teaching of Jesus on the treatment of enemies. Mt. 5:43-48.
6. The love of God. Jn. 3:16; Rom. 5:8.
7. The prodigal son. Lk. 15:11-32.
8. The woman of Samaria. Jn. 4:1-42.
9. The sinful woman. Jn. 8:3-11.
10. The robber on the cross. Lk. 23:39-43.
11. The gracious invitation. Mt. 11:28-30.
12. Love the supreme ideal of life. I Jn. 4:17-21; I Cor. 13.

"The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind; the Lord raiseth

them that are bowed down; the Lord loveth the righteous; the Lord preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow" *Psa.* 146:8, 9.

"In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them, in his love and in his pity he redeemed them." *Isa.* 63:9.

"Jehovah, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in lovingkindness and truth: keeping lovingkindness for thousands, forgiving iniquity, and transgression, and sin." *Ex.* 34:6, 7.

The entire book of Hosea especially *ch.* 11:1-4: "When Israel was a child . . . I loved him . . . Yea, I taught Ephraim to walk . . . I drew them with the cords of a man, with hands of love."

7. "Jehovah will smite Egypt . . . they shall return unto him . . . and he will heal them" *Isa.* 19:22. "In returning and rest shall ye be saved" *Isa.* 30:15. "Let the wicked forsake his way and return unto Jehovah . . . for he will abundantly pardon" *Isa.* 55:7.

"O Israel, return unto thy God . . . I will heal their backsliding. I will love them freely *Hosea* 14:1, 4a; the entire chapter deals with return of the prodigal nation. "Return unto me, and I will return unto you saith the Lord of hosts" *Mal.* 3:7.

8. "Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and the stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the Lord your God, and observe to do all the words of the Law" *Deut.* 31:12.
Miraculous blessings given to Gentiles: the widow of Zarephath (*I Kings* 17:16) and Naaman the leper (*II Kings* 5:1-15).

9. "Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? He retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth

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in mercy" Mic. 7:18.

"But he, being merciful, forgave their iniquity, and destroyed them not: yea many a time turned he his anger away" Psa. 78:38.

"It is of Jehovah's lovingkindness that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not" Lam. 3:22.

10. "He will again have compassion upon us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea" Mic. 7:19.

"But if the wicked turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes . . . he shall not die. None of his transgressions that he hath committed shall be remembered against him" Ez. 18:21-22.

11. "Ho every one that thirsteth come ye to the waters and he that hath no money, come ye . . . buy wine and milk without money and without price . . . incline your ear and come unto me; hear and your soul shall live. Let the wicked forsake his way . . . and return unto our God for he will abundantly pardon . . . though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow" Isa. 55:1, 3, 7; 1:18.

12. "Hatred stirreth up strifes; but love covereth all sins" Prov. 10:12. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, with thy mind, and with all thy strength" Deut. 6:5. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" Lev. 19:18.

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1. God cursed Adam, Eve,

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| and the serpent. Gen. 3: 9-21. | nounced the coming of the kingdom but also of judgment and punishment by fire. Mt. 3:8-12. |
| 2. God cursed Cain. Gen. 4:9-15. | 2. Unbelievers condemned: 3:18; Rev. 21:8. |
| 3. God destroyed man with the flood. Gen. 6 & 7. | 3. Jesus pronounced judgment on Chorazin and Capernaum, predicting a worse fate for them than that of Sodom. Mt. 11:20-24. |
| 4. God ordered capital punishment. Gen. 9:46. | 4. "Woe to the Pharisees and lawyers" Lk. 11:42-54. |
| 5. God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. Gen. 19. | 5. Jesus taught the coming of torment in fire after death—the rich man and Lazarus. Lk. 16:19-31. |
| 6. God plagued Pharaoh and slew the first born. Ex. 12. | 6. This punishment Jesus promised is without end. Mt. 25-46. |
| 7. God destroyed the Canaanites. Josh. 23:5-9. | 7. As they were destroyed by flood in Noah's day, so shall it be in the days of the Son of Man. "But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man |

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8. The bears destroyed children. II Kings 2:23-25. is revealed" Lk. 17:28, 29.
 9. Saul was commanded to slay the Amalekites. I Sam. 15.
 10. God punished Israel and carried his people into captivity. II Chron. 36:16-20.
 11. God is a God of vengeance. Psa. 94:1.
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9. Peter quoted and approved Moses' saying, "For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people." Acts 3:22, 23.
 10. "Vengeance belongeth unto me; I will recompense, saith the Lord." Quoted from Deut. 32:35 in Rom. 12:19; Heb. 10:30.
 11. Ananias and Sapphira slain for lying. Acts 5:1-11.
 12. "For if the Word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward; how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation" Heb. 2:2, 3.
 13. "For if we sin wilfully after having received a knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more a sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful expectation of judgment and a fierceness

of fire that shall devour the adversaries” Heb. 10:26. Those disregarding Moses’ Law “died without compassion”; how much more shall one suffer who spurns the new covenant. Heb. 10:28, 29.

14. “It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God” Heb. 10:31.
15. “For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven: whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.” Heb. 12:25, 26. “For our God is a consuming fire” Heb. 12:29.
16. Paul, by the Holy Spirit, blinded Elymas. Acts 13:8-12.
17. Herod was smitten by “an angel of the Lord” eaten of worms and died. Acts 12:22-24.
18. “Behold then, the goodness and severity of God” Rom. 11:22.
19. The devil, the beast, and the false prophet shall be tormented day and night forever and ever. Rev. 20:10.
20. Anyone not written in the Book of Life is to be cast into the lake of fire. Rev. 20:15.

E. FREEDOM WILL FLOURISH, CHAPTER 35

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TEXT: 35:1-7

- 1 The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.