

# Leviticus 25:49

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be able, he may redeem himself.

## Analysis

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**Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be able, he may redeem himself.**

This verse falls within the section on **Sabbath Year and Jubilee**. Sabbath year rest for land and Year of Jubilee releasing debts and slaves, teaching trust in God's provision.

Hebrews 9-10 explains how Christ's once-for-all sacrifice supersedes the repeated Levitical offerings, providing permanent cleansing from sin.

## Historical Context

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Sabbath year rest for land and Year of Jubilee releasing debts and slaves, teaching trust in God's provision. Chapters 17-27, often called the 'Holiness Code,' expand covenant obligations beyond ritual to encompass all of life—sexuality, economics, justice, and relationships. The repeated refrain 'I am the LORD' grounds these laws in God's character and covenant relationship with Israel. Israel received these laws while encamped at Sinai, before entering Canaan. The laws prepared them for life in the promised land, distinguishing them from Canaanite practices and establishing their identity as God's holy nation. The portable tabernacle, central to

Levitical worship, accompanied them through wilderness wanderings and eventually found permanent form in Solomon's temple. Archaeological discoveries at sites like Ugarit reveal Canaanite religious practices Israel's laws explicitly rejected, confirming the Bible's historical reliability and the distinctiveness of Israelite worship.

## Related Passages

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**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**1 John 4:8** — God is love

## Study Questions

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1. What practical steps can you take this week to apply the principles taught in this verse?
2. What does this verse teach about the seriousness of sin, the cost of redemption, or the beauty of holiness?
3. How can you use this verse to worship God more fully, obey Him more faithfully, or love others more sacrificially?

## Interlinear Text

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אֹו	דָּדוֹ	אֹו	בֶּן	דָּדוֹ	וְנִגְאַל:	אֹו
H176	<b>Either his uncle</b>	H176	<b>son</b>	<b>Either his uncle</b>	<b>he may redeem</b>	H176
	H1730		H1121	H1730	H1350	
	מִשָּׂא ר		בְּשָׂר ו	מִמִּשְׁפַּחַת ו	וְנִגְאַל:	אֹו
	<b>him or any that is nigh</b>		<b>of kin</b>	<b>unto him of his family</b>	<b>he may redeem</b>	H176
	H7607		H1320	H4940	H1350	
	הִשׁ יָגֵה		יָד ו	וְנִגְאַל:		
	<b>him or if he be able</b>		<b>himself</b>	<b>he may redeem</b>		
	H5381		H3027	H1350		

## Additional Cross-References

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**Leviticus 25:26** (Redemption): And if the man have none to redeem it, and himself be able to redeem it;

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