

Small Group Bible Study Questions. Sermon by Pastor John Fortune. May 3'26: "Tanakh: Leviticus: Atonement.

From Brendan: "These questions are a guide. You do not have to use every question. Knowing your group, go over these questions and ask God what questions you should focus on. May God bless and guide your discussions!"

- Welcome everyone and open with prayer. **Optional:** *take communion together!*

Icebreaker Question:

- Describe a moment from your life that you would describe as a 'holy moment.'

Discussion Questions:

- 1.** Where do you most feel the pressure of "empire" in your own life right now (productivity, control, security, self-reliance)? How has that shaped what you love, fear, or trust?
- 2.** The wilderness was not punishment but formation. Where might God be using discomfort, limitation, or uncertainty in your life to reshape you into someone who can live with Him?
- 3.** The sermon emphasized that atonement is not just forgiveness, but being made fit for God's presence. What is the difference between "being forgiven by God" and "living with God"? Where do you experience that difference (or lack of it) in your daily life?
- 4.** Jubilee required radical trust—releasing control of land, debt, and security. If you were to practice a form of "Jubilee trust" today, what would you need to release or loosen your grip on?
- 5.** In Luke 4, Jesus seems to say that Jubilee is fulfilled in Him—now. What would it look like, practically, to live this week as if God is truly present with you and you are not holding everything together on your own?