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a conversation during Lent

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#### DEUTERONOMY 25:5

"If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the wife of the dead man shall not be married outside the family to a stranger. Her husband's brother shall go in to her and take her as his wife and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her.

#### GENESIS 38:8

Then Judah said to Onan, "Go in to your brother's wife and perform the duty of a brother-in-law to her, and raise up offspring for your brother."

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<sup>29</sup> But Jesus answered them, "You are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God.

<sup>30</sup> For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. <sup>31</sup> And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God: <sup>32</sup> 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? He is not God of the dead, but of the living." <sup>33</sup> And when the crowd heard it, they were astonished at his teaching.

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## TWO MAIN ERRORS IN THE SADDUCEES THINKING

1.

#### BAD DOCTRINE:

Their understanding of the resurrection

BAD READING
OF THE BIBLE

ERRONEOUS
VIEW OF A
DOCTRINE

WRONG VIEW OF GOD

2. Doubting God

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#### WHAT IS HE LIKE? THE OMNIPOTENCE OF GOD

- Omni = All, Potent = Powerful
- God has the ability and power to do whatever he wills.
   This power is exercised effortlessly. God's Power is unlimited.
- \*God cannot do anything contrary to his nature.
  - Hebrews 6:18: so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.

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PSALM 147:5 - "Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit."

ISAIAH 44:24 - "This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb: I am the LORD, the Maker of all things, who stretches out the heavens, who spreads out the earth by myself.

JUDE 24-25- "To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen."

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#### WHAT IS HE LIKE? THE GOODNESS OF GOD

- Goodness is the essence of God
- His goodness assures security and encouragement
- His goodness should draw us to Him

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HEIS ALL POWERFUL
HEIS GOOD

#### HOWSHALL WE THEN LIVE?

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