

**The Law of Debt Release:  
Must not be Hard-hearted nor Tight-fisted against Debtors  
Deuteronomy 15:01–06**

1. The law:

To cancel all loans  
made to fellow Israelites  
or brothers —  
every seven years

- 1) May require payment  
from a foreigner
- 2) Must cancel any debt  
owed by a brother

2. The motivation  
for keeping the law

- 1) The elimination of poverty:  
No poor
- 2) The blessing is conditional:  
Must obey the LORD  
in order to be blessed
- 3) The promise  
of financial prosperity  
and freedom —  
both individually  
and nationally

1 At the end of every seven years  
you must cancel debts.

2 This is how it is to be done:  
Every creditor shall cancel any loan  
they have made to a fellow Israelite.  
They shall not require payment  
from anyone among their own people,  
because the LORD's time  
for cancelling debts has been proclaimed.

3 You may require payment from a foreigner,  
but you must cancel any debt  
your fellow Israelite owes you.

4 However,  
there need be no poor people among you,  
for in the land the LORD your God is giving you  
to possess as your inheritance,  
he will richly bless you,

5 if only you fully obey the LORD your God  
and are careful to follow all these commands  
I am giving you today.

6 For the LORD your God will bless you  
as he has promised,  
and you will lend to many nations  
but will borrow from none.  
You will rule over many nations  
but none will rule over you.