

Clear Bible Truth on God's Sovereignty - V

God's Sovereignty and its Limitations

Jesus said, "With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:16) The "impossible" thing was self-conversion. The "all things are possible" must be understood in the light of the full revelation of scripture. Though all-knowing, all-powerful and absolutely free:

God cannot cease being God - "God is not a man...hath he said, and shall he not do it?...shall he not make it good?" (Num 23:19)

God cannot deny Himself - "If we believe not, yet he abides faithful: he cannot deny himself" (2 Tim 2:13)

God cannot change - "For I am the LORD, I change not..." (Mal 3:6)

God cannot sin - "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began" (Titus 1:2)

God cannot violate His word - "...the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isaiah 40:8)

God cannot oversee a failing kingdom - "Wherefore, we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace..." (Heb 12:28)

God cannot let an elect perish - "My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand" (John 10:29)

God cannot negate His covenant - "...the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ...cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect..." (Gal 3:17)

God cannot be tempted - "for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempts he any man" (James 1:13)

We could go on, but suffice it to say, sovereignty doesn't mean God behaves outside of His character, will or purpose. Let scriptural assertions of God's almighty sovereignty not be confused with fool-hearted thoughts.

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