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God's Sovereignty and Prophecy - IV

"Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain" (Acts 2:23); "For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done" (Acts 4:27-28)

The support of God's sovereignty in these two verses is incredible. Everything and all things related to the suffering and death of Jesus Christ were purposed and predestined by God. In fact, "determinate" is a near- cousin to the word "predestine". And "foreknowledge" means far more than God foreknew, rather it means He foreordained. The Jews and the Romans who conducted the crucifixion along with the swelling crowds of people were there and did what God in sovereignty pre-fixed.

This is a small sampling of the prophecy of Christ' death by the Roman cross. It was at the Jews' stimulation that the trial commenced; but, it was the Roman governor who had to pronouncement the death sentence.

His Death

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:12 - "...He was <u>numbered with the transgressors</u>; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors"

Fulfillment: Luke 22:37 - "For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And He was <u>reckoned among the transgressors</u>: for the things concerning me have an end"

Fulfillment: Mark 15:28 - "And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And He was <u>numbered with the transgressors"</u>

Prophecy: Lev 16:27 - "And the bullock for the sin offering, and the goat for the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place, shall one carry forth without the camp..."

Prophecy: Num 15:36 - "And the congregation brought him <u>without the camp</u>, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses"

Fulfillment: Heb 13:12 - "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate"

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