UNDERSTANDING GOD

"Understanding God's Sovereignty"

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

Introduction

The second most important truth we need to know about God is His sovereignty. The first important truth is the Gospel. In 1 Chronicles 29:10-13, we learn that God is indeed the ruler over everything that happens in our lives. He's involved in the small things, the medium-sized things, and the large things. He is sovereign and no one can stand against Him.

The sovereignty of God refers to His reign over everything He has created. Many of us played with the Jack-in-the-Box toy when we were children. Sometimes the theory of that game carries over to our lives, where we want God to pop out only when we need Him. Little do we know, even if He hasn't popped out for us to see Him, He still rules over everything. His sovereignty is inescapable. He will even use evil to accomplish His purpose as seen in Job 2:2-3.

Psalm 135:6 says that whatever the Lord pleases, He does. Even the fish in the sea are subject to His ruling. Isaiah 14:27 explains we are incapable of thwarting God's plans. Once we accept that He is in charge, we should give God the praise and the recognition He deserves, and we will see that the best is yet to come.

Getting Started

To understand God's sovereignty fully, we need to remove some words from our vocabulary. How many times today have you said *luck, fate, happenstance, or coincidence*? None of those words should exist when we're talking about God.

Let's Get Personal

We have a choice here. Either we cooperate with God's sovereignty by adopting a new belief system, or we rebel against it. Which one is for you?

Take the Next Step

- 1. How has this series expanded your view of God?
- 2. Have you witnessed a time when God used evil to accomplish a specific purpose that resulted in good for you?

Renew Your Mind

⁶ yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things and we exist for Him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him.

1 Corinthians 8:6