

Trusting God: Even When Life Hurts

Lesson #5 "The Sovereignty of God Over People #2"

- Read chapter Four from sub-heading: "Does God Permit Evil?" to the end and answer the following questions.

Genesis 50:20 *"But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive."*

- 1) "We do not know _____ God _____ the enemies of His people to _____ at one time and _____ them at another. It is enough to _____ that God _____ and _____ restrain the harmful acts of others toward us _____ that is His _____ will."
- 2) Did the Biblical writers ever have any problems with the sovereignty of God?

Quote: "The Scriptures do not undertake to explain mysteries. They leave them unexplained. There is a difference between difficulties and mysteries: difficulties may be removed; mysteries cannot, without a new revelation, or the bestowment of a higher intellect." by **Basil Manly**

- 3) "The Scriptures _____ that God does _____ a person's _____, but in such a way that a person acts _____ and voluntarily."
- 4) What three truths do we need to remember regarding the sovereignty of God and people's choices?
- 5) "We must _____ misconstrue God's sovereignty so as to _____ people mere _____, so we _____ not press man's _____ to the point of _____ God's sovereignty."
- 6) Why can we trust in the Sovereignty of God when others seem to influence our lives?

7) Why should we not become resentful or bitter when treated wrongly?

8) “But God _____ allows people to _____ decision about us that _____ His _____ for us.”

Quote: “If we need the protection of men, let us first ask it from God. If we prevail with Him, the power of the most mighty and of the most wicked must minister to our relief.” by **Alexander Carson**

9) Why do we struggle with resentment and bitterness when someone else affects our lives?

10) What are the three warnings to wrongly apply the doctrine of the sovereignty of God?

Deuteronomy 29:29 *"The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law."*