# The Sovereignty of God

1) God's Sovereignty, Our Security

'Then He spoke a parable to them, saying:
"The ground of a certain rich man yielded
plentifully. And he thought within himself,
saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room
to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I
will pull down my barns and build greater, and
there I will store all my crops and my goods...

...And <u>I will</u> say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry." But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?"

(Lk.12:16-20)

'...as he thinks in his heart, so is he' (Proverbs 23:7) 'Do not eat the bread of a miser,
Nor desire his delicacies;
For as he thinks in his heart, so is he.
"Eat and drink!" he says to you, but his heart is not with you'

(Proverbs 23:6-7)

'But our God is in heaven;
He does whatever He pleases'
(Psa.115:3)

'Whatever the Lord pleases He does, in heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deep places'

(Psa.135:6)

'In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will'

(Eph.1:11)

'O Lord God of our fathers, are You not God in heaven, and do You not rule over all the kingdoms of the nations, and in Your hand is there not power and might, so that no one is able to withstand You?'

(2 Chron.20:6)

'Surely you have things turned around! Shall the potter be esteemed as the clay; for shall the thing made say of him who made it, "He did not make me"? Or shall the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"?'

(Isa.29:16)

'Shall the ax boast itself against him who chops with it? Or shall the saw exalt itself against him who saws with it? As if a rod could wield itself against those who lift it up, Or as if a staff could lift up, as if it were not wood!'

(Isa.10:15)

'Who is he who speaks and it comes to pass, when the Lord has not commanded it? Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that woe and well-being proceed?'

(Lam 3:37-38)

### 1) We Know That Nothing Can Happen To Us Unless God Allows It

'Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will'

(Matt.10:29)

'So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt'

(Gen 45:8)

# 2) To Believe In God's Sovereignty Is To Walk By Faith

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa.55:8-9)

'Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!'

(Rom.11:33)

'Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own things? Or is your eye evil because I am good?"

(Matt.20:15)

'Why do you contend with Him? For He does not give an accounting of any of His words'

(Job 33:13)

# 3) God Gives Grace For Every Situation

## 4) God Will Make All Things Work Together For Good