"Letting God Be God"

Amazed by Grace • part 40

Introduction

• understanding...yet not yet understanding the doctrines of grace

"There seems to be an inveterate prejudice in the human mind against this doctrine [of divine election], and although most other doctrines will be received by professing Christians, some with caution, others with pleasure, yet this one seems to be most frequently disregarded and discarded."

— Charles Spurgeon

• as the Sovereign, God does whatsoever He chooses to do

1. God's purposes are not unjust

Rom. 9:14-16

• God is *never* unjust

Gen. 18:25; Rom. 3:5-6; Deut. 32:4; Is. 45:19; Dan. 4:37

• would that God had been "fair" to the Israelites... Ex. 32:28



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- God "raised up" Pharaoh Rom. 9:17-18
 - + His sovereign call on Pharaoh's life
 - + God hardened Pharaoh's heart Ex. 7:3, 13; 9:12; 10:20; 11:10; 24:4
 - + Pharaoh hardened his own heart Ex. 7:4, 14, 22; 8:15, 19, 32; 9:7, 34

2. God's purposes accomplish His desired ends

- was Pharaoh just a puppet? Rom. 9:19
- God as a potter
 Rom. 9:20-21
- does the Bible teach "double predestination"?
 - + "prepared for destruction"
 - + "prepared for glory"

APPLICATION

- → Let God be God!
 Is. 55:8-9
- → Stand in awe of His grace!

 Rom. 11:33, 36