## "THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD" (God is in Control!)

I Chron. 29:11

INTRODUCTION: What is sovereignty?	
*God is in control!	
I.	God is sovereign over <u>HEAVEN &amp; EARTH</u> (Deut. 10:14-17) (God is in control of the <u>universe</u> )
	A.God is in control of Heaven
	B.God is in control of Earth
II.	God is sovereign over KINGS & NATIONS (God is in control of emperors and empires)
	A.God is in control of kings
	B.God is in control of nations (Deut. 32:8, 39)

III. God is sovereign over the lives of <u>EACH INDIVIDUAL</u> (God is in control of all that has breath)

A.Man's <u>personality</u> and <u>abilities</u> from conception are in His hands (Ps. 139:13-16; Ex. 4:11)

## B.Man's <u>circumstances of life</u> are in His hands

C.Man's <u>very breath</u> and <u>heart beat</u> are in His hands IV. God is sovereign over the <u>SALVATION</u> of men

(God is in control of man's eternal destiny)

A.God alone chooses **HOW** He will save (Eph.1:3-11) (God's sovereignty and the <u>plan</u> of Salvation)

B.God alone chooses <u>WHOM</u> He will save (I Th.2:13; Rom.9) (God's sovereignty and the people of Salvation)

See: John 6:37, 39, 44, 65; I Pet.1:2; Acts 13:48

Sovereignty does not exclude human <u>responsibility</u> (not fatalistic)

Does man have freedom of choice? Yes

Sovereignty does not exclude human <u>accountability</u>
Man will answer to God for his sin

- \*Question: If God is in control of everything, and nothing happens outside of His allowing it to happen:
- Why did He allow <u>sin</u> to enter the world? See: Rom 9:22
- 1) So that He could show His wrath
- 2) So that He could show His power

(God will ultimately receive glory for everything that ever happened)

## V. God is sovereign over <u>FUTURE EVENTS</u>

(God is in control of what lies ahead)

(See: Isaiah 41:4; 42:9; 46:10; 48:5,6; Acts 15:18)

Conclusion:

Because God is Sovereign:

1. He has every right to tell us what to do (I Cor. 6:19-20) Is God on the throne of your life?

2.He is worthy of our complete trust (Rom.8:28 - Everything is under control)