

Revisiting the Subject of God's Sovereignty

Acts 23-24

I. Introduction

-4 previous snapshots of God's sovereignty:

- 1.) God is sovereign, even when I suffer.
- 2.) God is sovereign, even when it seems too late.
- 3.) God is sovereign, even when my faith is weak.
- 4.) God is sovereign, even when the wicked seem to prosper.

II. 4 More Snapshots of God's Sovereignty:

5.) God is sovereign, even when I make mistakes

- Paul wasn't perfect; he made mistakes
- Romans 7:15
- This was probably a major blow of discouragement
- The Lord encouraged Paul

6.) God is sovereign, even when I'm not aware of it

- The plot against Paul
- There is no way to explain this scenario except for God's providence
- Similar to the book of Esther

7.) God is sovereign, even when I feel alone

- How many present were against Paul?
- How many present were for Paul?
- Even though Paul was alone, the Lord was with him

8.) God is sovereign, even when life doesn't make sense

-2 Corinthians 12

- Principle #1 - God humbles His children by means of suffering.
- Principle #2 - God is ultimately the one to whom we can go in our suffering.
- Principle #3 - God's solution is often to increase grace.
- Principle #4 - God perfects power out of weakness.