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Psalm 103:19

The LORD has established his throne
in the heavens, and his kingdom rules
over all

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God is of infinite rule

God has the right and the power to rule over all things; He is not obligated to anyone outside Himself, but acts always according to His own purpose and will.

Every attribute we have considered thus far has been moving us toward this inevitable conclusion; the most right and logical place for God to inhabit is a throne. No wonder the Bible portrays him there so often. His throne is described as a place of worship and celebration, but also as a place of trembling and awe.

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God is not merely observing what is happening in the world, but He is ordaining it. He is not simply watching, but He is working everything according to His purposes and plan.

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God is not controlled by ANYTHING and He controls EVERYTHING.

The LORD is the rightful King and He rules and reigns over all things, all the time, for all time.

There is no attribute of God more comforting to his children than the doctrine of Divine Sovereignty. Under the most adverse circumstances, in the most severe troubles, they believe that Sovereignty hath ordained their afflictions, that Sovereignty overrules them, and that Sovereignty will sanctify them all.

There is nothing for which the children of God ought more earnestly to contend than the dominion of their Master over all creation—the kingship of God over all the works of his own hands—the throne of God, and his right to sit upon that throne. On the other hand, there is no doctrine more hated by worldlings, no truth of which they have made such a foot-ball, as the great,

stupendous, but yet most certain doctrine of the Sovereignty of the infinite Jehovah. Men will allow God to be everywhere except on his throne. They will allow him to be in his workshop to fashion worlds and to make stars. They will allow him to be in his almonry to dispense his alms and bestow his bounties. They will allow him to sustain the earth and bear up the pillars thereof,

or light the lamps of heaven, or rule the waves of the ever-moving ocean; but when God ascends his throne, his creatures then gnash their teeth; and when we proclaim an enthroned God, and his right to do as he wills with his own, to dispose of his creatures as he thinks well, without consulting them in the matter, then it is that we are hissed and execrated,

*and then it is that men turn a deaf ear to us,
for God on his throne is not the God they
love. They love him anywhere better than
they do when he sits with his scepter in his
hand and his crown upon his head.*



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Promises

Purposes

Patience

Fulfillment

Hebrews 2:8b

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him.

Job 42:2

I know that you can do all things, and that
no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

Revelation 6:9-11

When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne.¹⁰ They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

Revelation 6:9-11

¹¹ Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

“If there is one single molecule in this universe running around loose, totally free of God’s sovereignty, then we have no guarantee that a single promise of God will ever be fulfilled.”

-R.C. Sproul

Reflection:

Where do you try to exert sovereign rule, at the exclusion of God, who establishes our steps?

How does knowing the attributes of God help you to trust His rule over all things?

How can you grow in patience in your places of trials, hardship or suffering?

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