

Sovereignty and Goodness of God

Trust and Faith in God

1. Sovereignty

- A. All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?" Dan 4:35
- B. Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him. Ps 115:3
- C. For dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations. Ps 22:28
- D. God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords 1 Tim 6:15
- E. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and he splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. 1 Chron 29:11
- F. The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it Ps 24:1

2. Goodness

- A. You are good, and what you do is good. Ps.119:68
- B. When all the Israelites saw the fire coming down and the glory of the Lord above the temple, they knelt on the pavement with their faces to the ground, and they worshiped and gave thanks to the Lord, saying, "He is good; his love endures forever." 2 Chron. 7:3
- C. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Ps 23:6
- D. Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. Ex 33:18-19
- E. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." James 1:17
- G. O taste and see that the Lord is good. Ps. 34:8

3. Trust and Faith in God

- A. Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ. Rom 10:17
- B. Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding Prov 3:5
- C. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Heb 11:1
- D. Fight the good fight of the faith. 1 Tim 6:12
- E. "You can tell what you trust, by the things that you fear." Jon Foreman
- F. "You will trust to the degree that you know that you are loved." Brennan Manning
- G. "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. Matt 6:25-34