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## GOD IS SOVEREIGN

### SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE

Job 42:1-6

### ADDITIONAL STUDY

Genesis 21:1-7, Psalm 115:3, &amp; Luke 1:26-35

### PRAYER

Dear Father, I'm in awe of your awesomeness and majesty. May I never lose sight of your wisdom and knowledge; may I continue to be in awe of You O God. May I continue to yield to Your sovereignty in Jesus' name. Amen.

**"I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees You." Job 42:5**

Sovereignty is Unlimited power. Supreme authority over all things. The liberty to decide one's thoughts and actions. Freedom from external control. It is the power to do everything without being accountable to another. God is sovereign – He is paramount and supreme; not answerable to anyone. There is no one higher in authority or power. He made all things and all things are under His watchful eyes and care. Though God is sovereign, we must understand that He is not the doer of everything that happens in our lives; some things happen by our freedom of choice and others are engineered by the devil. God permits some things knowing that in spite of them, He will still work everything according to the purpose of His will (Ephesians 1:11).

Understanding God's sovereignty gives you a more balanced knowledge of Him. Your knowledge of God determines your capacity as a Christian to face life's challenges, it influences the duration of your walk with God, helps you develop a healthier relationship with God, and to trust God more even when you don't understand it all. That is when you can yield your humanity to His majesty, and surrender your frailty to His all-encompassing knowledge. Job came face to face with God's sovereignty, he confidently said, "But now my eye sees You."

What does Scripture say about God's sovereignty and how can you make your acquaintance with His supremacy?

God is limitless and He can do all things

He can get a woman pregnant by the Holy Spirit and make a 90-year old woman have a child. He can cause a dry stick to blossom overnight. He can walk on water, part the red-sea, and cause bread to fall from heaven and ravens to bring food to a famished prophet.

God's sovereignty must be acknowledged in all you do

God is no democrat and this isn't a democracy. You must consciously bring your life under the rule of God as our sovereign. Proverbs 3:6, "In all your ways, acknowledge Him..." Don't run off with your elaborate plans because you're so smart. Check with the One who sees the end from the beginning and be safe.

God remains God, whatever happens!

Neither death nor life nor persecution can discolor who God is. Your best bet in hardship is to lean on Him. He is the only entity that cannot be moved. (Romans 8:35-39).

Your role is to obey Him even when you don't understand. To go, like Abram, even when you don't know to where, but you go regardless because you know He will show you the way to go. To trust Him like Moses' mother, and do what you can in your power and then leave the rest because you know He is able to perfect what concerns you. (See Genesis 12:1-6 & Exodus 2:1-10).

Therefore, 'Let go and let God.' He knows all. He is the ONLY wise God and His purpose for your life cannot be thwarted.

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