

**Part 2**  
**The Sovereignty of God  
in Salvation**  
**Romans 9**

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**The Sovereignty of God**

1. God's purposes will be accomplished.
2. Nothing that God wants to accomplish will be left unfulfilled.
3. Nothing can ever happen which would ultimately keep God from fulfilling everything that He wants.
4. There is no such thing as a stray, maverick molecule in the universe, outside the control and plan of God.
5. If there is ever the slightest and most insignificant thing outside of God's control, it would have the ability to obstruct the plan of God.
6. Since God's plans are always accomplished, He never changes them. There are no ~~plan~~ B's+with God.

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**The Sovereignty of God**

7. For anything that occurs, God could have prevented it if He had wanted to.
8. Therefore if God allows something, it is because it was part of His plan from eternity past.
9. It can only be said therefore that God ~~permits~~+ something to occur because He has purposed and planned it.
10. To declare that God's original plan has been frustrated by sin, is to *dethrone* God.
11. To suggest that God was taken by surprise in Eden and that He is now trying to remedy the failure, is to *degrade* the Most High to the level of the finite.

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### The Sovereignty of God

- 12. To argue that God is a helpless spectator wringing His hands over what the future brings, a future unforeseen by Him, is to *deny* God of His sovereign omniscience and omnipotence. (*open theism*)
- 13. The Sovereignty of God is absolute, irresistible, and infinite.
- 14. God is sovereign in all of His attributes and has the right to govern the universe just as He pleases. He can do anything He wants to do, any time He wants to do it, any way He wants to do it, for any purpose He wants to accomplish.
- 15. To deny the sovereignty of God is to go down a path which eventually will lead to blank atheism.

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### Trinitarian Expressions of Love

I. God makes a promise. (Titus 1:1,2)

**Titus 1: 1,2**

- 1 Paul, a bond-servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the faith of those chosen of God and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness,
- 2 in the hope of eternal life, which God who cannot lie, **promised before the beginning of time.**

*Promised to whom???*

II. The promise is made from the Father to the Son . The Father, in His expression of love for the Son, gives the gift of a redeemed humanity (the elect) who would praise, glorify, and serve the Son for all eternity.

**2 Tim. 1:9**

who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus **from all eternity.**

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III. The Father sends the Son to die and give His life, which would efficiently secure the salvation of the redeemed humanity (the elect)

**John 17:18** %As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

IV. The Father draws the redeemed humanity and gives them to the Son, the Son receives and keeps them, and raises all of them up on the last day.

**John 6:37** All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and **the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out.**

**John 6: 39** %his is the will of Him who sent Me, that **of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day.**

**John 6:44** %No one can come to Me unless **the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.**

**John 10:27** %My sheep hear My voice, and I know them and they follow Me.

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**John 10:28-29**  
28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.  
29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

**John 17:6**  
6 I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.

**John 17:9-12**  
9 I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours;  
10 and all things that are Mine are Yours. and Yours are Mine; and I have been glorified in them.  
11 I am no longer in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father keep them in Your name which You have given to Me, that they may be one even as We are one.

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12 While I was with them, I was keeping them in Your name which You have given Me; and I guarded them and not one of them perished but the son of perdition, so that the Scripture would be fulfilled.

**John 17:24**  
Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

V. The Son in turn gives the Kingdom and the redeemed humanity back to the Father as an expression of His love for the Father.

**1 Cor. 15:24**  
...then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.

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VI. God's purpose therefore in saving you is so that you might praise the Son forever.

**2 Cor. 5:15**  
...and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

**Rev. 4:10-11**  
10 the twenty-four elders (the glorified church) will fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and will worship Him who lives forever and ever, and will cast their crowns before the throne saying, 11 Worthy are you, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.+

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