

The Shocking Sovereignty of God Pt. 1 The God of Israel 7/23/23

Definitions

God's judgment: God _____ what each of us deserves and _____ what each of us deserves.

God's sovereignty: God has the _____ and _____ to do with His creation as He pleases. Romans 11:33-36

Core Ideas:

God brings judgment because of sin. Genesis 18:20-21

God punishes sin with death. Genesis 2:17, Ezekiel 18:4

Does God punish sin with death because He is too harsh? Or is it that sin is truly that bad?

God does not delight in the _____ of the wicked. Ezekiel 33:11

God uses judgment to bring Israel to _____. Leviticus 26:18, 21, 23, 27, 40, 44-45.

Jeremiah 29:11

God desires Israel's repentance because He loves them and has a _____ _____ for them. Genesis 12:3

Examples:

Jeremiah's Call to Israel

Jeremiah 23:16-20, Jeremiah 18:5-8

Jeremiah called the people to _____, which would deliver them.

The false prophets called the people to _____, which would condemn them.

Lesson: Our reaction to God's sovereignty does not just affect us, it affects others who are influenced by us.

Abraham pleading for Sodom

Genesis 18:22-26

Lesson: It is good to pray for mercy for the lost, but we do so recognizing that God is right and wise in His judgment of sin.

David Mourning Uzzah

2 Samuel 6:6-15

Numbers 4:15

David goes from anger and fear to _____, _____, _____, and _____.

Lesson:

1. We must be honest with God. But we must submit to Him, not to our emotions.
2. God can change our hearts from anger and fear to awe.

The Merciless Prophet

Jonah 4:2-3, 11

Jonah had a bad reaction to God's mercy and was rebuked.

Lesson: A proper understanding of God's sovereignty does not make us look down on others, but makes us look first and foremost to God for mercy.

The Eternal Stakes

"The Soul that sins shall die" Ezekiel 18:4

God's judgment is both _____ and just.

God's judgment is a trumpet call that we need God.

The Eternal Mission

Does our reaction to the sovereignty of God point others to God or lead them away?

Are we honest with God? Are we willing to submit to Him and be changed?

Do we recognize the mercy we have received? Do we recognize the peril the lost are in and the desire God has for their repentance?

Word Bank

decides, gives, power, right, death, repentance, greater purpose, repentance, ignorance, greater joy, greater reverence, greater love