



**THE SHOCKING
SOVEREIGNTY
OF GOD**

The New Testament Church

Sovereignty - Human and Nations

- Self-governing
- Make decisions within a moral structure
- Judges imperfectly

‘So Moses said, "I must turn aside now, and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush, and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "**Here I am.**"’

Exodus 3:3,4 AMP

Sovereignty - Eternal God / YHWH

- Self-existence
- Establishes Moral Structure
- Judges perfectly

'Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I shall say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" And God said to Moses, "**I AM WHO I AM.**"'

Exodus 3:13,14 AMP

Here I am

versus

I AM WHO I AM

Conflict of Sovereignty - our errors

- Rebel - judging God rather than worship
- Remake - imagine God to be more like us
- Rewrite - misinterpret Scripture to justify our sin

Psalm 29

Here I am

versus

I AM WHO I AM

Realms of Sovereignty

- Hebrew People
- Gentile Nations
- The New Testament Church

Highlights from previous weeks

- God's sovereignty over Israel was intended to bring them into a closer relationship with Him.
- God's sovereignty over the Gentile nations was a demonstration of His Holiness and plan.
- God's judgement is inevitable, just, and delayed.

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- Jesus casting money lenders out of temple
- God striking Ananias and Sapphira dead

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- The Incarnation of Jesus as a baby
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- The gift of the Holy Spirit
- Permanent salvation by faith not works
- His decision to use us to build His kingdom

His Radical Sovereignty

- Radical permanent salvation
- His most radical acts of sovereignty are in our favor.
- His sovereignty is astonishingly compassionate and creative.

Here I am

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I AM WHO I AM

The correct response

- Humility
- Love
- Confidence

Meekness

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“Blessed are the **gentle**, for they shall inherit the earth.”

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Matthew 5:5 ESV

Meekness is ...

.... that temper of spirit in which we accept His dealings with us as good, and therefore without disputing or resisting.

... equanimity of spirit that is neither elated nor cast down, simply because it is not occupied with self at all.

Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary
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