



**He is God and  
You're Not  
Part 2**

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**Truth for Life**

For the week of January 13, 2019  
(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

*But he stands alone, and who can oppose him? He does whatever he pleases. Job 23:13*

Cp. Job 42:2; Psalm 135:6-10, 19-21; Daniel 4:34-35, 37; Romans 11:33-36; Ephesians 1:11; Revelation 19:6-7; Psalm 24:1

**The Freedom of God**

A. He is absolutely free to do whatever \_\_\_\_\_.  
Cp. Psalm 115:3; Exodus 3:14

B. He has the right to deal with us any \_\_\_\_\_.  
Cp. Psalm 115:3; Proverbs 16:9; 19:21; Romans 9:18

C. He doesn't have to treat me the way he treats my \_\_\_\_\_.  
Cp. Romans 9:21; 1 Chronicles 29:11-12; Matthew 20:1-16

D. He doesn't have to treat me today the way he \_\_\_\_\_.  
Cp. John 11:1-44 ... Judas would die again without intervention

E. He can answer my prayers any way \_\_\_\_\_.  
Cp. James 4:3; Jeremiah 7:16; 11:11-12; 1 John 5:16; Mark 10:38; Romans 8:26

F. He will not tolerate \_\_\_\_\_ to his throne.  
Cp. Nahum 1:2-3; Exodus 20:3

G. He is not obligated to live up to \_\_\_\_\_ or  
to \_\_\_\_\_ to me.  
Cp. Mark 11:9-10 ... then He was crucified

**My Response**

- 1) I can be like Adam and Eve and assume there is something better for me and thus we'll live a life of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) Or I can submit to this truth of God's Sovereignty and live a life of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Think about a time when you were frustrated, confused, or possibly angry at the way God was responding to a situation. What was the occasion? What were you anticipating God to do? Why did it bother you? Think about this last question ... did the frustration come from God acting wrongly or as a result of Him acting outside of your expectation?
2. Read the story of Lazarus again ... John 11:1-44. Listen for cues as to why Mary and Martha were frustrated (vs. 20-21; 32). Why the crowds were confused (vs. 36-37). Why were they troubled? What was the source of their frustration?
3. Read the following verses about the first principle regarding the Sovereignty of God.
 

1 Chronicles 29:11	Romans 9:11	Proverbs 16:4
Proverbs 19:21	Daniel 4:35	Genesis 50:20

 What stands out to you from these verses? Anything bother you or cause you to struggle?
4. Read Judges 13:1-25. Pay careful attention to Manoah's prayers (vs. 8, 12, 15, 17). Do you think Manoah and his wife were excited to hear the news about their new baby? As you examine the prayers of Manoah, what was he most interested in discovering (vs. 8, 12)?
5. Read the Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6:9-13. How does the Lord's instruction on prayer in vs. 10 particularly mesh up with the request of Manoah above? If we were more interested in God's will being done than getting our will done, would there potentially be less frustration and disappointment with God and His response? Would it be appropriate to state that the reason for our disappointment with God often results from our selfishness or our lack of trust of God's character?
6. Here are some more challenging questions that will be great to ponder among your small group.
  - a. What are some of the hard truths in the Bible that run counter to our culture? How can we identify and embrace these truths?
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