



"The Sovereign Will of God"

Romans 9:16-18

January 23, 2021

The sovereign will of God...

1. ...expresses His love with unmerited _____ Rom 9:13

"Just as it is written, "JACOB I LOVED, BUT ESAU I HATED."" - Rom 9:13

2. ...is _____.

"What shall we say then? **There is no injustice with God**, is there? May it never be!" - Rom 9:14

3. ...is _____ Rom 9:15

"For He says to Moses, "I WILL HAVE MERCY ON WHOM **I HAVE MERCY**, AND I WILL HAVE COMPASSION ON WHOM **I HAVE COMPASSION**."" - Rom 9:15

4. ...is not accomplished by human _____.

"So then it [does] not [depend] on **the man who wills** or **the man who runs**, but **on God who has mercy**." - Rom 9:16 NASB95

1) ...not human _____ Mat 22:14. "Many are called but **few accept Him**."

"For many are called, but **few [are] chosen**."" - Mat 22:14

2) ...not human _____ Zec 4:6

"Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel saying, '**Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit**,' says the LORD of hosts." - Zec 4:6

3) ...but God's _____ John 1:11-13

"He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, [even] to those who believe in His name, who were born, **not** of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of **the will of man, but of God**." - Jhn 1:11-13

5) ...accomplishes His work through His _____ Jhn 3:21

"But anyone who lives by the truth comes to the light, so that **his works** may be shown to be **accomplished by God**." - Jhn 3:21 CSB

 **Forsaking human works doesn't mean** _____ - Rom 3:30-31; Rom 9:8

• "since indeed God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith is one. Do we then nullify the Law **through faith**? May it never be! On the contrary, **we establish the Law**." - Rom 3:30-31

• "That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are **children of God**, but **the children of the promise** are regarded as descendants." - Rom 9:8

6) ...contrasts the superiority of God's _____ over man's rule. Hab 2:14

"For **the earth will be filled with** the knowledge of **the glory of the LORD**, As the waters cover the sea." - Hab 2:14

Pharaoh's personal will contends with God's will.

Pharaoh contrasts man _____ **and...** Gen 3:5

"For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and **you will be like God, knowing good and evil**."" - Gen 3:5

1) ...demonstrates God's _____ . Dan 4:34-35

"But at the end of that period, I, Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes toward heaven and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever; For **His dominion is an everlasting dominion**, And **His kingdom [endures]** from generation to generation. "All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, But **He does according to His will in the host of heaven** And **[among] the inhabitants of earth**; And no one can ward off His hand Or say to Him, 'What have You done?'" - Dan 4:34-35

2) ...declares God's _____ in all the earth. Eze 36:23

"**I will vindicate the holiness of My great name** which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst. Then **the nations will know that I am the LORD**," declares the Lord GOD, "when I prove Myself holy among you in their sight." - Eze 36:23

The sovereign will of God...

1) ...gives mercy to His _____ . 1Pe 1:3

- "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who **according to His great mercy** has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead," - 1Pe 1:3
- "for though [the twins] were not yet born and had not done anything good or bad, so **that God's purpose according to [election] choice would stand**, not because of works but **because of Him who calls**," - Rom 9:11

2) ...hardens the hearts of the _____ .

1) The _____ hardens Pharaoh's heart. 9xs - Exo 7:3

"But **I will harden Pharaoh's heart** that I may multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt." - Exo 7:3.

2) _____ hardens his own heart. 4xs - Exo 9:34

"But when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunder had ceased, **he sinned again and hardened his heart**, he and his servants." - Exo 9:34

3) Man is _____ to God and responsible for his actions. - Rom 1:18

- "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of **men** who **suppress the truth in unrighteousness**," - Rom 1:18
- "For even though they knew God, **they did not honor Him** as God **or give thanks**, but they became futile in their speculations, and **their foolish heart was darkened**." - Rom 1:21

4) Do not harden _____ heart. 4xs - Heb 4:7

- "He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, **DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS**." - Heb 4:7
- "For even though they knew God, **they did not honor Him as God or give thanks**, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened." - Rom 1:21