

SOVEREIGN

God is in charge. God rules over the universe, and everything in it. God supervises history and everyone in it.

The LORD does whatever he pleases in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all the depths. Psalm 135:6

- God is sovereign over nature.

He causes the clouds to rise from the ends of the earth. He makes lightning for the rain and brings the wind from his storehouses. Psalm 135:7

Yet not one of them falls to the ground without our Father's consent. But even the hairs of your head have all been counted. Matthew 10:29-30

- God is sovereign over the nations.

He struck down the firstborn of Egypt, both people and animals. He sent signs and wonders against you, Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his officials. Psalm 135:8-9

The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; he turns it wherever he will. Proverbs 21:1

- God is sovereign over newness of life.

For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his treasured possession. Psalm 135:4

1. Turn away from entrusting ourselves to powerless things.

For I know that the LORD is great; our Lord is greater than all gods. Psalm 135:5

The idols of the nations are of silver and gold, made by human hands. They have mouths but cannot speak, eyes, but cannot see. They have ears but cannot hear; indeed, there is no breath in their mouths. Psalm 135:15-17

2. Turn up the celebration of our sovereign King.

Hallelujah! Praise the name of the LORD. Give praise, you servants of the LORD who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God. Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing praise to his name, for it is delightful. Psalm 135:1-3

"Cheer up, Christian! Things are not left to chance: no blind fate rules the world. God has purposes, and those purposes are fulfilled. God has plans, and those plans are wise, and never can be dislocated."
Charles Spurgeon

Reflection Question:

Where have you seen the goodness of God's sovereignty at work in your life?

Scripture from the CSB unless noted.