

Scripture Reading

- 1. **Isaiah 46:9–10** "My counsel shall stand... I will accomplish all my purpose."
- 2. Daniel 4:34–35 "He does according to His will... none can stay His hand."
- 3. Matthew 8:23–27 Jesus calms the storm.
- 4. **John 19:10–11** "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above."
- 5. **Psalm 115:3** "Our God is in the heavens; He does all that He pleases."
- 6. Job 42:2 "No purpose of Yours can be thwarted."

1. Understanding God's Sovereignty

- Based on these verses, how can we define **God's sovereignty**?
- Which of these verses stands out most to you personally, and why?

2. Wrestling with the Tensions

Let's be honest — the sovereignty of God is comforting **and** challenging.

- What emotions or questions do you feel when you hear: "God is in control of all things"?
- How do you reconcile God's sovereignty with personal suffering or global injustice?
- Have you ever struggled to trust God's plan in the middle of a storm? Share a time when you did.

Consider: Even Jesus' suffering was under God's sovereign plan (John 19).
What does this teach us?

3. From Theology to Trust

These truths are meant to build faith, not just knowledge.

- How does believing in God's sovereignty change the way you pray?
- How does it affect your anxiety, relationships, or future plans?
- What would it look like this week to practically trust God's sovereignty in a current situation?

Example answers might include:

"Letting go of trying to fix someone,"

"Being less controlling at work,"

"Resting instead of obsessing over outcomes."

Key Takeaway Truths

- God is not confused by your circumstances **He's in control.**
- We are not called to understand everything just to trust the One who does.
- Jesus reveals that even the cross was not a failure it was sovereignty in action.

Closing Challenge & Prayer

Challenge:

This week, identify **one area of life** where you're tempted to control, fear, or doubt. Write it down. Each day, bring it to God in prayer, saying: "Lord, I don't understand this — but I trust that **Your counsel will stand** and **none can stay Your hand.**"

Prayer Focus:

Pray for deeper trust in God's plan — especially in times of uncertainty, disappointment, or fear. Pray also for courage to live with peace, patience, and purpose, even when you don't see the full picture.

Reflection Verse to Memorize

Isaiah 46:10 – "My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose."