



Session 08
God's Sovereignty

INSTRUCTOR



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Goals

This 14-session course will focus at the Definition of “Christian Spirituality”; a gospel-driven Spirituality; Christ – the goal of our spirituality; the role of the Holy Spirit in our spiritual formation; 4 aspects of God the Father that are cornerstones in spiritual formation: sovereignty, holiness, love, pleasures of God.

Sessions Overview

1. Foundations
2. Christ as the Foundation
3. The Holy Spirit-Introduction
4. The Holy Spirit and New Birth
5. The Holy Spirit and Control of Body
6. The Holy Spirit and Impressions
7. The Holy Spirit and Help
- 8. God's Sovereignty**
9. God' Holiness
10. God's Love
11. Character Development
12. God's Pleasures
13. Gospel Driven-Part 1
14. Gospel Driven-Part 2

Session Summary

Christian spiritual formation requires self-examination and God-examination. In this session, we further our study on developing dynamic Christian spirituality as we begin to look at the four basic longings that are met in God, starting with God’s sovereignty. We will look at what the scriptures say God is sovereign over, questioning whether He is sovereign over pain and suffering.

Fill in the Blanks

1. In your own words, describe what an idol is. What idols have you put before God in your life?

2. Why do you think we try and fill our deep longing for Christ with other idols?

3. What are the four basic longings that are met in God, and what do they fulfill?

4. How does Dr. Beck define the sovereignty of God?

5. What are the five points Dr. Beck gives about what God is sovereign over?

1. _____

2. _____

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- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

6. What are the five kinds of character that this truth develops in you as you learn to trust the most powerful good there is?

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

7. Memorize the Heidelberg Catechism, 1563, #26.

8. Spend some time in prayer asking God to reveal to you if you are looking for contentment in people or things. If he reveals something, are you willing to let go of that idol and cling to God, so He can give you true joy and contentment?
