

# Genesis 45:5-8; 50:20 – God’s Sovereign Providence

#  (Part 2)

# The aim God has for us, continued from last week:

* God wants us to: enjoy Him more powerfully, relate with Him more accurately, and worship Him more fully [through seeing, knowing, loving, and savoring the reality of God’s sovereign providence].
* And He wants us to press beyond, simply, knowing information about God into truly and deeply knowing God for who the Bible reveals Him to be [in this case, freely and providentially sovereign].

**Two fundamental truths about God:**

1.) God is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2.) God is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him! – Psalm 34:8

As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many peopleshould be kept alive, as they are today. – Genesis 50:20

God is not the author of evil and does not force, compel, coerce, or tempt anyone to sin – ever.

Other supporting scripture used: Exodus 34:6; Ephesians 1:11; Romans 8:28; Job 1:12, 2:6; Luke 22:31-32; Psalm 105:17, 135:6; Isaiah 46:9-10, 43:13; Job 42:2;

Contradictory? Or something else?

2 Peter 3:9 and 1 Timothy 2:4 versus Ephesians 1:4 and John 15:16

Conclusion: God’s sovereign providence and emotional complexity.

**The relationship between God’s sovereign providence and man’s will:**

* God exercises His sovereign will in and through the will of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Supporting scripture used: 1 Timothy 6:15-16; Proverbs 21:1, 16:1; Ezra 6:22; Genesis 20:6; Acts 2:23, 4:27-28

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Supporting scripture used: Hebrews 13:20-21; Romans 8:29; 2 Corinthians 3:17-18

We are not in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Further examples of God superintending good through avenues that man and Satan intend evil:

1.)

2.)

3.)

God has a providential plan He is executing.

**Two questions:**

1.)

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