

The Certainty of God In An Uncertain World  
God is Sovereign Over the World  
Psalm 93

Where can a Christian go to find some sense of certainty in what feels like an uncertain world? Where do you go when you face unwanted changes in life? What happens to your attitude and mood when what you value is somehow removed from life? How much hope do you place in presidents, elections, laws to make your life better? What happens when you don't get the presidents, elections and laws that you hoped for?

Psalm 93 is not an expression of personal opinion. This is proclamation. The writer is making an authoritative declaration.

*Why should we believe in the certainty of God in an uncertain world?  
God is sovereign.*

Sovereignty is deeply attached to the existence of God. If the God of the Bible exists, He is sovereign. You cannot have the Bible being true and God not being sovereign at the same time. If the Bible is true, God is sovereign. If God is sovereign, the Bible is true and trustworthy.

There are various types of psalms in the book of Psalms. Complaint psalms, redemptive history psalms, messianic psalms. Psalm 93 is an enthronement psalm. The obvious mark of the enthronement psalm is the phrase, "the Lord reigns". It is a celebration of God's throne rights and the exercise of those rights over the world, the nations, the nation of Israel and people as individuals. This is the supreme authority of God.

Psalm 93 tells us that the Lord reigns and it also tells us *how* the Lord reigns.

1. The Lord reigns exclusively.

When the Bible specifically says, "The Lord reigns", it has eliminated all the competition. By stating this specifically, the Bible excludes all other options – there is no spiritual being, no human being, no force of nature, no collection of events, no country or collection of countries that have any sense of being able to reign with God.

2. The Lord reigns constantly.

Notice a simple detail in Ps 93:1. "The Lord reigns" is written in the present tense. The Lord is always reigning. Whenever you pick up a Bible and read this Psalm, the Lord is reigning.

We are not waiting for the second coming of Jesus Christ for God to reign. God is reigning over the world right now. Every moment of every day in every situation – the Lord reigns over the world.

3. The Lord reigns actively.

When the Bible says, "The Lord reigns" that refers to active involvement. That is not some type of passive reigning as if God is totally hands-off but only intervenes when something in the world goes wrong.

These are great days for the gospel because God is sovereign. God's sovereignty put Jesus on the cross.

**Home Group Discussion Questions:**

1. What do you think of when you think of the sovereignty of God?
2. Does it comfort you, challenge you or change your thinking in any way to hear that God is sovereign?
3. Do you have any resistance in your heart and mind to the sovereignty of God?
4. Read the following statements with your deeper understanding of the sovereignty of God. Perhaps this will also deepen your appreciation for God's sovereign gift of eternal life through Jesus:

Jesus absorbed the wrath of God on our behalf. Gal 3:13

Jesus bore our sins and purchases our forgiveness through suffering. 1 Peter 2:24

Jesus provides a perfect righteousness for us that becomes ours in Him. Phil 2:7-8

Jesus defeated death. Heb 2:14-15

Jesus disarmed satan. Col 2:14-15