



## *Pursue: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word*

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*Lecture Notes*

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*Hebrews Lesson 17 Rahab and Prophets*

### *God's Sovereignty and Man's Choices*

#### *Part 2*

#### *I. God's Sovereignty-review*

*Sovereignty means that God is in control over His creation dealing with the governance of it. It means God is ruling at all times in all places over everything to every degree, and if that were not true, God would cease to be God and cease to be sovereign. Sovereignty means God existed before time and at every point in time past, present, and future guiding history to His predetermined ends to fulfill His decree.*

*Psalm 145:3- Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised; and His \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Isaiah 40:28- Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary or tired. His \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Isaiah 46:9-10- "Remember the former things long past, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God and there is \_\_\_\_\_ like Me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times which have not been done, saying, 'My \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_, and I will \_\_\_\_\_ all my good pleasure'."*

*Job 9:1-12*

#### *II. Man's faith \_\_\_\_\_*

##### *1. Two words for \_\_\_\_\_*

*Definition of will: **thelema**-Used to designate what God Himself does of His own good pleasure. It refers almost \_\_\_\_\_ to God.*

*(Ex. Eph. 1:11; Heb. 2:4) **Boulema**- to resolve or \_\_\_\_\_; to be willing or inclined to; to \_\_\_\_\_. It means to will deliberately, but not necessarily to \_\_\_\_\_ that will (ex. Acts 19:30;*

*3 John 1:10). In thelema there is an execution and finalization of that purpose. The difference in the two nouns indicates why the first is used primarily of God, and the second is always used of man. When God purposes something, He always has the power to bring it to execution, but man, not necessarily.*

## 2. Choices

Choice/choose- eklego-to \_\_\_\_\_; to choose out; to take to \_\_\_\_\_.

*\*Man makes choices only within the \_\_\_\_\_ capacity he has been given. Genesis 2:16-17*

## 3. Freedom

*Freedom (dictionary)-the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without \_\_\_\_\_ or restraint. The absence of \_\_\_\_\_, coercion, or constraint in choice or action. The power of self-determination attributed to the \_\_\_\_\_; the quality of being independent of \_\_\_\_\_ or necessity.*

*Freedom (Biblical definition)- the state of exemption from the \_\_\_\_\_ or control of \_\_\_\_\_.*

*\*For the Christian, the only place where freedom is exercised is in Christ. The \_\_\_\_\_ sets our boundaries for true \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Anywhere else is \_\_\_\_\_. John 8:31-36*

*\*John 8:31-32-“Jesus therefore was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, ‘If you abide in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine, and you shall know the \_\_\_\_\_ and the truth shall make you \_\_\_\_\_.’”*

*\*Galatians 5:1- “It was for \_\_\_\_\_ that Christ set you free; therefore, keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.”*

*\*Romans 6:17- “But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed and having been \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_, you became slaves of righteousness.”*

4. Making \_\_\_\_\_ choices then must be \_\_\_\_\_ to what I am created to be in Christ. Any choices \_\_\_\_\_ of that are not free. I have to believe (have faith) that God’s way is that right \_\_\_\_\_.