

Current Events and the Sovereignty of God

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I. Introduction.

II. God's sovereignty.

A. God is sovereign in the affairs of nations. (Job 12:23; Acts 17:26)

B. God is sovereign over history. (Isaiah 14:24; Psalm 115:3; Isaiah 14:27)

C. God is sovereign in the affairs of man. (Daniel 4:35; Job 23:13-14)

III. Lessons of history.

A. History repeats itself. (Ecclesiastes 3:5)

IV. The current world's problems.

A. The Middle East.

1. Jews are back in their homeland.

2. Arabs are fighting against the Jews.

B. Africa and Europe.

V. The problems of our country.

A. We are worldly.

B. Crime is on the increase.

C. Strikes cripple our economy.

D. Men reap what they sew. (Galatians 6:7; 2 Thessalonians 3:10; Colossians 3:23; Ecclesiastes 9:10)

E. The intellectual establishment has become liberal.

F. Military deficiency.

G. Economy.

1. Inflation.

2. Poor backing.

3. More is spent than taken in.

H. Politically.

1. Too much government.

2. Too much spending.

3. The UN does not work.

4. Mixing of political and economic interests.

VI. Some solutions.

A. The problem is in the human, which requires change from Jesus. (Mark 2)

B. We need to be careful that we do not take in intellectual garbage. (Proverbs 19:7)

C. We need to persuade our representatives to make changes militarily and economically.

VII. Is there hope?

A. The US still has the strongest industrial base.

B. US ingenuity is still alive.

C. The US is still the most technologically advanced nation in the world.

D. The US will rise up and will win if necessary.

E. God will not pull the plug on the US because there are still righteous men there. (Genesis 18)

F. God will not pull the plug because Jesus came to seek and save the lost and the US is a primary missionary supporting nation.

VIII. Conclusion.

IX. Our response as the children of God.

A. Trust God. (John 14:1; Colossians 2:6; Ephesians 1:8)

B. Rely on God's promises. (Hebrews 13:5; Philippians 4:19; Psalm 44:7; 90:11)

C. Hope for the best, prepare for the worst and pray like mad.

Application questions

1. Are some of the concerns the speaker shared still valid today?

2. How do we reconcile God's sovereignty and the current state of the world? Explain.

3. What can we do in light of the world problems and the hope of Jesus Christ?
